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Conservative pledge to keep faith with immigrants

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Mrs Thatcher clarifies policy

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peech Mrs Thatcher duly obliged, at the same time giving the Government a blistering indictment for its pay enforcement policies, calling them "arbitrary and unjust", blackmailing, blacklisting and bullying. It was a trailer for tomorrow's Commons debate.

Mrs Thatcher's theme was to attack Labour's concealment of its true intentions: "smokescreen socialism", she called it. "Let us tell those shouters we are not going to have our deep and passionate commitment to racial equality smothered by the orchestrated clamour of the Labour Left, she said.

So she now put first, ahead of immigration control, the pledge that all men were equal. But she insisted that racial harmony in Britain required the removal of doubts about the future. She went on: "I believe that we shall succeed in maintaining and securing our traditional tolerance and fairness in this country only if we cut the number of immigrants coming in now".

She then read out with only non-essential modification the full quotation of commitments given to the Conservative conference in 1976 by Mr William Whitelaw, the deputy leader. Had she remembered it two weeks ago it might have saved her a lot of bother.

"I do not believe we have any hope of promoting the sort of society which we want unless we are to follow a policy which is clearly designed to work towards an end of immigration as we have seen it in this country in the postwar years. I believe there can be honestly no question other than facing this harsh and realistic fact.

"That is why we have to speak out loudly and clearly. We have to work towards the ending of immigration in this country and we have to have the policies designed to do so."

Of what those policies might be, and whether they could affect the numbers any more than could the Government's present policy, there was no word. Instead Mrs Thatcher promised to "honour in full our legal commitments to United Kingdom passportholders in East Africa and to the immediate dependants of all those who settle here as of right before 1973".

To the question, put later, of what she proposed doing about the amnesty of illegal immigrants, Mrs Thatcher acquiesced in their settlement rights with clear regret. Conservatives had been "very critical" of the 1974 and 1977 amnesties, she said. They did not help to uphold the law and they were not fair to those waiting in the queue.

However, "the fact is that once a person has been 'legalized' for permanent settlement, you cannot then take away a legality that has been given, and we have to face that", she said.

Mrs Thatcher had faced pressure from some of her colleagues in the Shadow Cabinet to get matters right here. Lord Thorneycroft, the party chairman, returned to invigorating form after his operation, set the tone on Saturday. He pronounced that Mrs Thatcher had been right to speak out but then turned the screw on his own party.

Good race relations meant, he said, bringing coloured people in far greater numbers into Young Conservative branches, Conservative clubs and into every Conservative association in the country.

The conference of some 900 applauded, even though there were only two "non-white" Britons among them.

Another striking warning, that the party would "never be able to represent the nation until we can see the problems in an even-handed way", was put yesterday in an unscripted peroration by Mr James Prior, opposition spokesman on employment. He had attended the conference preliminaries on Friday evening and had heard the many voices of disquiet.

Departing from his subject, Mr Prior, noting "delicate issues" raised by Mr Christopher Gent, the Young Conservatives' national chairman, said they required policies that must unite, not divide. Mr Gent had roundly denounced attempts to win back Mr Enoch Powell and had insisted on an unequivocal commitment to multiracialism.

Mrs Thatcher, when asked to undertake never to have Mr Powell in the Shadow Cabinet, as good as agreed. She was not likely, she said, to include someone who was not even a member of the party.

But it would be seriously misleading to depict either Mrs Thatcher of the conference as bein gabsorbed by immigration issues. They were of course transfixed by the prospect of the next election. The conference held nine short, sharp debates across the range of policy. It was mostly earnest stuff, not unlike the Young Liberals.

Among the oddities was the passage of a quasi-Luddite motion, casting aspersion on technological progress; the passage of a tough détente motion and one calling for the reintroduction of capital punishment.

One interesting debate ended in the defeat of a Scottish motion calling for federalism, which Mr Francis Pym, Opposition spokesman on devolution, admitted ought to be considered among other possible constitutional changes.

Photograph and more conference news, page 2



Wreckage littering the street outside the Sydney Hilton after the dustcart explosion.

Bomb kills two at summit hotel

Sydney, Monday morning.—A bomb planted in a dustbin killed two people early today outside a Sydney hotel where leaders of 12 Commonwealth countries had gathered for a summit conference. Police hunting the bombers said later they were searching for three men described as possibly Arabs.

The bomb went off in front of the 42-storey Hilton Hotel less than an hour after Mr Malcolm Fraser, the Australian Prime Minister, and other leaders from Asian and Pacific nations had returned there from a cruise in Sydney harbour.

None of the leaders, all staying in top-floor suites, was hurt, but security officials quickly doubled the guards assigned to them.

The two people killed were dustmen emptying bins into a dustcart in front of the hotel. This activated the lorry's rubbish crusher which exploded the bomb. Four policemen, a taxi driver and a woman were injured.

The police said they had received an anonymous telephone call from a man with a foreign accent two minutes before the explosion. He warned them that a bomb had been planted in a rubbish bin.

Mr Fraser and his Foreign Minister, Mr Andrew Peacock, were both in bed when the bomb exploded. They rushed down to the street in their dressing gowns.

Mr Fraser called an emergency meeting of security organizations and took personal charge of investigations.

The conference, which is intended to foster better understanding between Asian countries and smaller Pacific nations, is being attended by Commonwealth leaders from India, Bangladesh, Malaysia, Singapore, Sri Lanka, New Zealand, Fiji, Tonga, Western Samoa, Naura and Papua New Guinea.

Before the Commonwealth leaders reached Sydney there had been threats of demonstrations by South-East Asian students at Australian universities.

The students had announced they would stage protest demonstrations against the rule of Mr Lee Kuan Yew, the Singapore Prime Minister, and Datuk Hussein Onn, the Malaysian Prime Minister.—Reuter.

Mr Dell warns Japan of import controls 'if we are forced to it'

By Malcolm Brown

Mr Dell, Secretary of State for Trade, yesterday threatened import controls against Japan unless the Japanese took a more realistic line on trade with Britain.

His warning comes less than a week after the Japanese rejected a call for voluntary restraint on their car imports to Britain.

Mr Dell is to get a personal report on the abortive British-Japanese talks this week from Mr John Beswick, director of the Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders.

The import controls warning was made by Mr Dell on the London Weekend Television programme *Weekend World*.

The Japanese, he said, had told us that in the fiscal year 1978 their surplus would be down to $6,000m (about £3,103m) and that if these estimates proved inaccurate they would take exceptional measures.

"I think that at this stage I would rather say, all right, they have presented us with a target; they must understand the dangers of the situation: the dangers are mounting and there is not much time. We are watching very carefully."

The international trading system would crumble further if they failed to rid themselves of their surplus, he said. Governments would be pressed into taking specific action against Japanese products.

He did not want to see Japan being told that Britain would buy only as much from them as they bought from us. "But if we are forced to the point I think that is what is going to happen."

Mr Dell declined to forecast how such measures might be implemented, but he gave a warning that the danger of protectionist action was "much greater" than the Japanese perhaps realized.

He did not want a total ban on imports from Japan. Their products were good, cheap and attractive to consumers. "The consumer is important, but if it comes to the crunch, countries will choose to protect the producer rather than the consumer.

"And if it comes to the crunch then, indeed, government—not just in this country but elsewhere—will say we like your products but you are not playing the game of international trading terms and we will take action against you."

Mr Dell's meeting with Mr Beswick will come only a few days after discussions with Mr Michael Edwardes, chairman of British Leyland, and Sir Leslie Murphy, chairman of the National Enterprise Board, who on Friday expressed concern at the growing penetration of Japanese car sales on the British market.

Mr Beswick will give the Secretary of State a detailed report of how Tokyo rejected the British industry's pleas that the restraint policy which has operated for the past two years should be continued.

Angry Israelis accuse US of backing Egypt

From Michael Knipe
Jerusalem, Feb 12

All work preparing land for further Jewish settlements in occupied Sinai was reported to have been suspended today on the direct orders of Mr Weizman, the Israeli Defence Minister.

The Cabinet nevertheless issued a statement making clear its determination to retain and increase the controversial settlements in the occupied territories. It protested angrily at the attitude being adopted by the United States over the peace negotiations, particularly the settlement issue, and accused America of contradicting itself.

The Cabinet complained that the Carter Administration was taking Egypt's side while purporting to act as mediator between the two protagonists.

This hard-line statement comes after a blunt expression of United States policy by Mr Vance, the Secretary of State, in Washington on Saturday, and reflects a virtually head-on clash between America and Israel that is causing serious concern here.

Mr Vance called for Israeli withdrawal on all fronts, for the dissolution of the settlements and for the creation of a Palestinian homeland.

Expressing its regret and protest, the Israeli Cabinet maintained that the American argument that the settlements were contrary to international law was in complete contradiction to the views expressed by President Carter in December after he had been presented with Israel's peace proposals.

The basic thrust of the Cabinet's argument is that by expressing satisfaction with the Israeli peace proposals when they were announced in December, the Carter Administration had in effect, endorsed them. In fact, the United States avoided an outright endorsement by simply stating that the Israeli plan was "a suitable basis for direct negotiations between the Jerusalem and Cairo governments."

In its statement today, the Cabinet maintained that Mr Begin, the Prime Minister, included a specific reference to the continuous existence of the settlements in a United Nations zone and with Israeli military protection to which, it said, Mr Carter expressed no reservations.

No communication from Washington stating the settlements should not exist had been received in the seven weeks following presentation of the plan in writing.

Mr Vance's statement, the Cabinet said, contradicted America's supposed role as a mediator. The Cabinet flatly rejected the United States argument that there should be a homeland for the Palestinians. There was absolutely no doubt, it said, that it would lead "unavoidably" to "the establishment of a Palestinian state ruled by the terrorist organizations", which would spearhead a potential military alignment of Jordan, Syria, Saudi Arabia, and Iraq.

Today that "alignment" had at its disposal nearly 6,000

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Oil drivers voting on new offer this week

By Donald Macintyre
Labour Reporter

Hopes of a settlement in the oil tanker drivers' pay dispute rest on meetings this week at which shop stewards will vote on an improved pay offer.

Delegates representing 2,200 Shell drivers will decide in London tomorrow whether to call off their overtime ban, after hearing the views of their members at depot meetings today. Similar conferences of BP, Esso and Texaco delegates will be held on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

Neither the oil companies nor union officials would predict the outcome last night. Some militant shop stewards may demand a strike in an attempt to win further improvements. The overtime ban and other sanctions by drivers in the four companies have so far cut deliveries of petrol and oil by about 30 per cent.

The drivers, whose average earnings are just over £100 a week, started the ban two weeks ago after rejecting offers from the companies of a tenth on earnings and self-financing productivity payments worth about 5 per cent.

The men have been seeking consolidation into basic rates of the pay supplements of the last two years and of the 10 per cent increase. Ministers ruled that that would boost overtime earnings by an amount well outside the pay guidelines.

Shell, acting as pace-setters, have told the Department of Employment that their new offer is within the pay policy, but it has yet to be studied formally and approved by the department's officials. Neither side would disclose the details last night.

The effects of the ban, although less severe than feared, are likely to increase if it is prolonged beyond this week. Some industrial users have already expressed concern to the Department of Energy. In Scotland more than sixty schools have closed for lack of heating oil.

Drivers in West Midlands decided in West Bromwich yesterday to cut off supplies to British Leyland if the corporation continued to import heating oil from abroad to offset shortages.

CBI crisis talks on pay sanctions

By Business News Staff

The Confederation of British Industry's top 100 companies have been called to a meeting in London tomorrow to discuss the crisis which has blown up over the Government's decision to include pay pledge clauses in all government contracts.

Mr John Greenborough, the CBI president, has also called a special meeting of his high-level consultative committee. It will prepare the ground for Wednesday's meeting of the CBI Grand Council when crucial decisions will be taken in formulating industry's response to th Government's policy.

The CBI leadership could face sharp criticism from its membership over the next few days. The feeling is growing in some quarters that Sir John Methven, the CBI's director general, may have made a bad tactical error last Tuesday when, within an hour of Mr Roy Hattersley's statement on the new clauses—which will oblige companies to obey government pay guidelines—he announced that counter-action taken by the CBI could include a recommendation from the Grand Council that members should strike the proposed clauses from contracts.

CBI officials have continued to underline the tentative nature of that suggestion. The top 100 companies, and subsequently the council, will be offered several other options this week.

A number of difficulties have recently arisen over the striking-out option. First, there is the fact that some companies rely almost totally on government work—pharmaceutical companies selling drugs to the National Health Service, for example—and would therefore not simply be making a gesture with peripheral contracts, but putting their whole business under threat.

Secondly, there is concern among some of the trade associations in the CBI that they might run into difficulties with the Restrictive Trade Practices Act if they endorse any CBI proposal of this type.

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aged 26, also of Glasgow, raised the alarm after they had become separated.

At St Helens, on Merseyside, Steven Cullen, aged 13, drowned after rescuing David Pendlebury, aged six, who fell through ice at the Leg of Mutton dam. Steven Cullen's brother, Michael, aged 11 who helped in the rescue, and the other boy were in hospital last night.

Mark Slater, aged 12, of Oldham, was drowned when he fell through ice on a lake at Failsworth, Greater Manchester. Three other boys, who also fell in, were in hospital last night.

In Scotland, Mr Graham McKillop, aged 55, a dentist, of Strathclyde, died after he and his son Colin, 15, fell on high ground by the 3,300ft Ben Eim.

Police throughout northern England and Scotland reported heavy snowfalls and blocked roads yesterday. Motorists in many areas were urged to remain at home unless their journeys were really necessary. In Northumberland all the roads to Scotland, including the Great North Road, were closed last night.

In Yorkshire only one lane of the M62 over the Pennines was open at one stage. Snow ploughs later cleared two lanes both ways, but it was still snowing and conditions were expected to worsen. All minor roads from Yorkshire to Lancashire were closed. North Yorkshire police said Whitby was virtually cut off.

Mr Anthony Brown, aged 18, a patient requiring treatment on a kidney machine, was carried through snow for almost a mile to an ambulance from Hall Park Farm, near Whitby.

Snow in Scotland started early on Saturday and by Saturday night public transport in Dundee had been withdrawn. Many Edinburgh roads were under a foot of snow. Yesterday, however, the police in both cities reported easier conditions.

But between Edinburgh and the Borders several main roads were closed in places as heavy snowstorms swept the area.

There will be no racing in Britain today. In Ireland the meeting at Fairyhouse is also cancelled.

Western Europe had heavy snowfalls at the weekend. In northern Italy, at least five people were killed in avalanches. At Lugano, Switzerland, Reuter reported, an 8,000-seat sports stadium collapsed under the weight of snow.

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Labour plea for £4,000m Budget boost

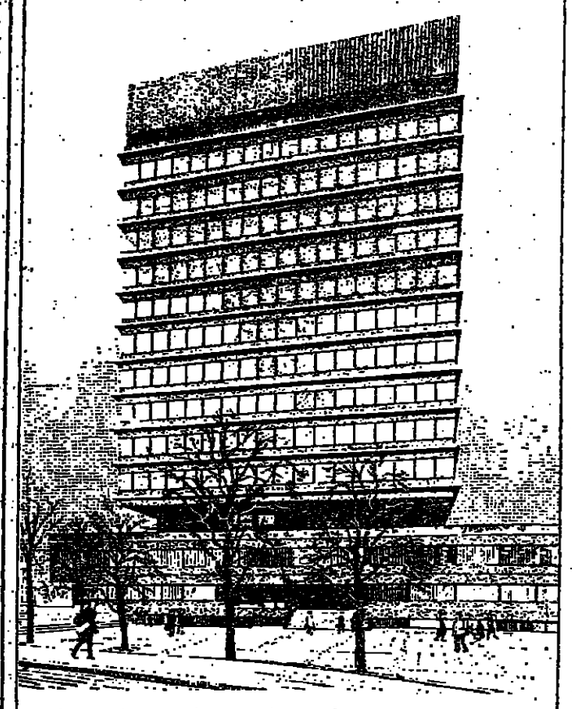
By Our Political Reporter

Labour's home policy committee is to meet tonight to argue the case for a left-wing Budget, including boosting the economy by £4,000m in a full year, which it plans to press on Mr Healey, Chancellor of the Exchequer.

Moderates on the committee are likely to resist some of the demands, but if the left succeeds, its case will be put at a meeting of the Cabinet and the full national executive committee of the party early next month.

Mr Healey and his colleagues will resist such proposals. The suggested annual figure is at least twice that being contemplated by the Treasury.

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Chirac rallying call

French opinion polls give a lead to the Socialist-Communist opposition in next month's elections. The latest poll predicts a left-wing victory if the two parties agree to field a single candidate for the second round of voting. M Chirac, the Gaullist leader, received a hero's welcome at a mammoth Paris rally

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Smith formula rejected

Hopes of an early internal settlement in Rhodesia were dashed when a congress of Bishop Muzorewa's party rejected present proposals for white parliamentary seats. The bishop said the future composition of the armed forces was an even greater problem on which there was complete disagreement

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Bomb attack kills two

A woman aged 70 and her grandson, aged 10, died in a fire started at their home in Belfast by a terrorist bomb. A family of seven living next door escaped unhurt although their home was extensively damaged

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Boycott's slow score

Geoff Boycott, the England cricket captain, took seven hours and 22 minutes to score 77 runs on the fourth day of the first Test match against New Zealand at Wellington. England were all out for 215, 13 runs behind New Zealand's first innings' score. New Zealand were 12 for no wicket at the close

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BBC archives' future

Recommendations on the custody of the BBC's sound, vision and written archives are being prepared for publication within a few months by the special advisory committee chaired by Lord Briggs, Provost of Worcester College, Oxford

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Woman and grandson die in fire started by terrorist bomb

From Our Correspondent
Belfast

An explosive device thrown into a house in north Belfast early yesterday caused the death of a woman aged 70 and her grandson, aged 10. The house, in the Old Park district, was destroyed by a fire that followed.

A man living in the house with the woman and boy escaped uninjured and a family of seven next door also got out safely, although their house was extensively damaged.

The woman who died was Mrs Mary Smyth and her grandson Michael Scott, who lived near by, but was staying overnight. Mrs Smyth's son Mr Michael Smyth got out, but flames stopped him from reaching his mother of the boy. They were Roman Catholics.

In April, 1973, Mrs Smyth's son Brian, aged 26, was shot dead in Belfast in an incident involving the Army.

Two shops in Belfast were damaged by separate outbreaks of fire during Saturday night and two bombs found on the protective grille of a paint shop in central Belfast were defused.

Protestants and Roman Catholics joined in a five-minute silence in "loyalist" districts throughout Northern Ireland on Saturday in prayer and protest against the murder of Mr William Gordon and his daughter, Lesley, aged 10, in a booby-trap bomb explosion in Mr Gordon's car outside their home

The vigil was timed to coincide with the funeral of the two victims, which was attended by 4,000 people in the village of Maghera, in co Londonderry.

Mourners crowded the Presbyterian church in Maghera and lined the pavements as the funeral of Mr Gordon, a corporal in the Ulster Defence Regiment, and his daughter set out from their home.

At the funeral service prayers were said for the recovery of Richard Gordon, aged seven, Mr Gordon's son, who was severely injured

Two of four men, all of the same family, who were detained by the police were later released. The other two were still being questioned yesterday.

Sell-out fears: Fears of a sell-out by the British Government on power-sharing were expressed at a meeting on Saturday of the executive and constituency representatives of the Social Democratic and Labour Party at Dungannon. The party is concerned that the British Labour Party might drop its insistence on power sharing at Cabinet level in any future Northern Ireland government.

Palace is blamed over royal romance

Group Captain Peter Townsend says in his aurobiography, *Time and Chance*, published by Collins today, that Buckingham Palace officials mishandled his and Princess Margaret's plans to marry in 1955.

The Princess had not been told soon enough that only the loss of her royal rights, functions and income would be acceptable. "There would be nothing left, except me, and I hardly possessed the weight to compensate for the loss of her privy purse and prestige", he says. "It was too much to ask of her, too much for her to give."

Group Captain Townsend says that when Princess Margaret discussed the proposed marriage with the Queen and officials in 1953, she had been told that she must wait for two years until she was 25 and could marry without the Queen's consent. She was not told, he says, that the "secret" was being discussed in foreign newspapers.

"Had they only taken me into their confidence and alerted me to the danger, I would have got out of the way fast".

Group Captain Townsend has been married for 18 years to Marie-Luce Jamagne. They have three children.



Mrs Thatcher accepting an inviting seasonal greeting from the Young Conservatives assembled for their conference at Harrogate.

Referendum would rule out election

By Michael Hatfield
Political Reporter

With the Scotland devolution Bill entering a crucial stage in the Commons this week, ministers are coming to recognize that the referendum is inextricably linked with a general election.

It is accepted that if the date for a referendum is not announced by the end of July, when Parliament goes into summer recess, the Prime Minister plans a general election in October. Ministers discount the possibility of having a referendum in September, followed by a general election the next month.

Mr Steel, leader of the Liberals, in working out his party's strategy, shares the view. He and his colleagues believe that to have both a referendum and an election within two months would benefit only the Scottish National Party, who would turn the referendum into a publicity campaign.

He believes that Mr Callaghan would gain by having an election in October and promising the Scottish electorate a referendum on the devolution proposals, whereas the Conservative Party would be able to offer only a constitutional commission, which would delay the day of devolution for Scotland even more.

Although there has been no official discussion at ministerial level on election tactics, the ministers' independent calculations, pursued logically, mean that the announcement of an autumn referendum would indicate that Mr Callaghan has decided to battle on, at least through the winter.

There are several obstacles to be crossed, however, before speculation intensifies in the summer. The Governm yet to get the devolut for Scotland and Wale statute book. This wee ters face a further from their backbench the incorporation of a tage "Yes" vote referendum based on electorate.

Government busine agers plan to comp Commons stages of t land Bill next week ar diately send it to th Labour peers have warned that there many all-night sittings plete all the stages Lords by June.

Although that is goi difficult, particularl strong Conservative o to many aspects of the Government feels will be able to meet t line.

In the dispute over Orkney and Shetland have a separate refere whether they want t outside the devolutio sals, there was distin tience among minist night. The view was that if that is what th they should have it.

Mr Millan, the Sec State for Scotland, ho to visit the two gr islands soon to persu people that it would their interests to be the Scottish assembly, attempt to allay the that the assemblyme direct most of the within their control t Scotland and Western

Ministers do not i fight the amendmen Shetland and Orkney r referendum in the or the Lords.

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Odd-job man 'not sure' on portrait

From Our Correspondent
East Grinstead

Mr Edward Miles, a former odd-job man on the Chartwell estate, said yesterday that he was not sure whether he had burnt the Graham Sutherland portrait of Sir Winston Churchill.

In *The Sunday Telegraph* he was quoted as saying: "Lady Churchill smashed the painting in the Chartwell cellars and gave it to me to burn. I watched her do it. Another close member of the family was there too."

Yesterday, however, Mr Miles, aged 62, who lives in Church Street, Edenbridge, Kent said: "The one and only time I can recall for sure seeing the painting was in the gallery of the big house.

"It was standing on an easel. I was there with my eldest daughter, Margaret, who used to work at Chartwell, and there could have been a member of the Churchill family with us.

"I was not surprised to hear that Lady Churchill had destroyed it. Whether it was burnt or whether I was given it to burn I do not know.

"I was asked to burn rubbish sometimes. The painting could have been in a pile of rubbish, or perhaps someone else put it on the fire.

"I certainly never saw it being destroyed. Sometimes the family put rubbish on the fire. I was certainly never told to take the picture out and burn it."

2,000 rescue missions in 22 years

Climbers learn worth of RAF helicopters

By a Staff Reporter

During one of the worst periods on recent record of climbers and walkers getting into trouble in bad weather in Snowdonia and the Lake District the value of the RAF's rescue helicopters was again proved at the weekend.

The RAF's acknowledged "champion rescuers", C Flight of 22 Squadron, stationed at Valley, Anglesey, flew eight rescue missions in Snowdonia and the Lake District, carrying two injured girls to hospital and passing a total of 2,000 operational missions since the unit was formed 22 years ago.

The unit's record, which may lead to a ceremony soon at RAF Valley, is likely to further vindicate the recent £20m expenditure on long-range Sea King helicopters for some flights. They also use Wessex helicopters that entered service just over a year ago, replacing ageing single-engined Whirlwinds.

Flight Sergeant John Donnelly, who holds the Air Force Medal and Bar and a Queen's Commendation, for work as a winchman at Valley, described last weekend's conditions as atrocious.

His unit's aircraft were almost constantly airborne on Saturday, rescuing climbers and positioning civilian and RAF mountain rescue teams.

Their 2,000th mission was to pick up Mr Keith Capener, aged 18, an auto-electrician, of Chingford Lane, Woodford Green, Essex, who had plunged 500ft from a precipice on Snowdon. He died in hospital.

Yesterday the flight searched Snowdonia in a blizzard for a woman aged 51, who reached a mountain reporting post safely.

Flight Sergeant Donnelly, like mountain-rescue leaders, condemned people who ventured into the mountains in "picture-postcard conditions" without proper equipment when the conditions above 2,000ft resembled those in the Alps or the Arctic.

A spokesman for one of the Lake District mountain rescue teams said: "The conditions on Saturday looked beautiful. People were going up into the mountains in ordinary walking clothing and then, of course, the conditions changed.

"They did not seem to understand that in British weather like this, ascending to 2,000ft or more one must carry equipment like ice axes and crampons and, more important, know how to use them."

The Snowdonia mountain rescue organization at Capel Curig said: "In spite of all the warnings on radio and television late on Saturday night, there are scores of people up there today. Heavy snow is still falling. There is a strong possibility of avalanches and we are all standing by for more trouble."

Although the 2,000 rescue flights by RAF Valley's helicopter crews have been free of accidents to aircraft, crew or those rescued, and although the fliers' confidence has been greatly increased by their twin-engined Wessex aircraft, several members of the flight voiced their fear that their safety record might be marred one day by the foolhardiness of the people they are called on to help.

In the Lake District Mr Gary Owen, aged 20, of Thornton Cleveleys, died when he fell on Grizedale. Two of his friends were seriously injured: Mr Philip Seville, aged 19, and Mr William Goldsmith, aged 18, both of Thornton Cleveleys.

The injured men were rescued by mountain rescue volunteers and a team from RAF Leeming.

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Reaching the people with patter and style

By Fred Emery
Political Editor

The smooth tones of Dr Billy Graham's missionary public relations activities are being heard in Mrs Margaret Thatcher's crusade, for working under a contract in Conservative Central Office's community affairs department is Mr Harvey Thomas, a former Graham campaign communications expert.

An expatriate Briton who states, "I live legally in Hawaii", Mr Thomas has come home temporarily to help to stimulate party evangelism, because "I believe that this country desperately needs to have the Conservatives back in power".

This Westminster School old boy with a midatlantic accent was at work at the Young Conservatives' conference at Harrogate. At a fringe meeting he preached the text of "reaching the people" to 70 or so party workers who wanted to improve the way they put their message over, whether by news release or doorstep canvassing.

He gave them a short list of imperatives: personal contacts, loyalty to principles, excellence in methods and keeping informed about party policy. His patter and style obviously stimulated. As for his methods, one wonders how some hard-bitten local newspaper editors would take to being embraced by Young Conservatives and taken off to the local for a pint.

From Central Office, Mr Thomas is running a pilot project among Conservatives in Ealing, North, to try to tap a new strain of political volunteerism. Instead of loading recruits with committee work, the project seeks to devise a sort of shirtsleeve approach in what is called "The Conservative Campaign Corps".

On a form marked "confidential" party members are asked to undertake to "plan" to give 10 hours of work towards both a general election and this year's local elections, and to attend two training meetings. A checklist invites them to indicate in which among 25 activities they could best help.

So far, says Mr Andrew Rowe, head of the community affairs department, who engaged Mr H. Thomas, some 40 new recruits have taken up commitments.

Conference decisions: The Young Conservatives' conference passed motions seeking: A reappraisal of publicity techniques to project an attractive image to first-time voters.

A Conservative employment policy to recognize that technological advances would reduce manpower requirements in many traditional wealth-creating sectors.

Continued attempts to improve relations with the Soviet block, provided there was a halt in Warsaw Pact build up, genuine Soviet observance of detente and an end of Soviet military intervention in Africa.

The removal of statutory immunities enjoyed by trade unions so that police could uphold laws and ensure the safety of uninvolved people.

The ending of "squatters' rights".

The reintroduction of capital punishment for murder and acts of terrorism.

The conference also endorsed Mrs Thatcher's decision to debate immigration, and called on her to complete commitments to protect the rights of all legal immigrants and to promote policies to improve race relations.

Appeal to give political instruction in schools

By Diana Geddes
Education Correspondent

The danger that political education in schools would turn into political indoctrination has been exaggerated, Mr Norman St John-Stevas, Opposition spokesman on education, told the Young Conservatives' national conference at Harrogate on Saturday. In any case, he added, most teachers voted Conservative.

Political education should have an important place in a school's curriculum, he argued. The danger of producing political illiterates who could fall victim to the slogans solutions of the to left or right was gre that of political indoct

"Young people morous. They can m ments and assess teac evaluate what they a taught. In any case, are not ideologues, bu ed men and women s do their best to hel people develop thei and talents.

"As a party, we sa the people'. Well, why the teachers as well? whelming majority a crats, not Marxists,"

New police tactics emerge to beat political violence

By John Chartres

Mr James Anderton, the widely publicized and frequently criticized Chief Constable of Greater Manchester, believes that the way his force handled one of the toughest socialist counter-demonstrations against the National Front in Bolton on Friday night may set a pattern of policing.

Certainly several observers like myself of what are now being dubbed as "Hyde 1", "Hyde 2" and "Bolton" thought that the police skills demonstrated on Friday night showed greater technical skill gained from previous experience.

The Bolton counter-demonstration against a National Front meeting in the town hall, the third in five months to be staged in the Greater Manchester area, seemed at one stage to be the most dangerous of all.

For the first time it was clear that an organized pressure group was at work among the counter-demonstrators. Unlike the fairly passive crowds that gathered in Hyde in October and again in January, the Bolton counterdemonstration contained "chant-leaders" who managed to keep up organized noise for nearly two hours.

The "official" counter-demonstration organized by Mr Colin Barnett, secretary of the north-west council of the TUC and also of his self-styled committee against racism, mounted on one side of the town hall one typical political demonstration against the National Front. Some 50 yards to his left there was clearly a very different sort of pressure group.

Some intriguing events followed. Mr Anderton appeared in plain clothes, was indentified by television crews and newspaper photographers who shone lights on him, and was probably mistaken for perhaps John Tyndall, or another National Front leader, the first near-riot then began.

To cries of "nazi scum", a section of the crowd broke through the first double line of a police cordon and the untidy running fights which Mr Anderton has always wanted to avoid took place in front of television cameras, with policemen's helmets flying and young men being wrestled out of the crowd technically under arrest.

Mr Anderton withdrew. Then some of his officers, obviously growing in experience, recognized that there was a "hard core" and a "soft core" in the crowd, and a reserve force of 20 mounted policemen were moved in to separate the hard from the soft core.

From that point onwards the situation remained under control, with the hard core tucked into one corner and the soft core continuing to listen to the speeches against the National Front until the Front supporters were escorted in, when another attempt was made to break through the cordon to more shouts of "nazi scum".

I asked Mr Anderton whether his and his force's obviously growing experience over National Front and counter-demonstrations made them apprehensive about what they might have to do in the next general election.

Mr Anderton said he hoped that in the diversion of political feeling during an election the sort of concentration witnessed in Hyde and Bolton would not occur. He declared the Bolton operation "satisfactory" from a police point of view, but deplored the necessity for it.

"Klan" ban sought: Mr John Lee, Labour MP for Birmingham, Handsworth, said yesterday that he would table a Commons question to Mr Rees, the Home Secretary, asking him to refuse entry to Britain of American leaders of the Ku Klux Klan as "undesirable aliens" (the Press Association reports). It has been reported that Klan leaders planned to visit Britain for talks with National Front members.

Mr Arthur Latham, Labour MP for City of Westminster, Paddington, will join forces with Mr Lee to press the Home Secretary to act.

Whooping cough vaccine 'should be abandoned'

It could be time to abandon whooping cough vaccination, according to Professor David Kerridge, Professor of Statistics at Aberdeen University, who has studied the effect of the vaccine on the disease.

Given the rise in brain damage, and the fact that the controversy was dragging other vaccination rates down, "my advice would be to abandon vaccination, in the belief that any rise in whooping cough is not likely to be great or prolonged", he said.

Professor Kerridge offers the first independent support for the view of Professor Gordon Stewart, Professor of Community Medicine at Glasgow University, who has advocated stopping the vaccine, but he does not go as far as Professor Stewart, who believes the vaccine is doing more harm than good.

Professor Kerridge said that apart from a short period after 1957 there had been no more rapid a fall in the rate of the disease than before the vaccine's introduction, when medical and social improvements were leading to its decline.

If a vaccine was potentially saving many lives and doing little harm, as had been the case with smallpox vaccine, it was sensible to continue. But whooping cough vaccine did carry a small risk of brain damage, and deaths from the disease were rare, only three in 20,000 cases during the present outbreak, he said.

More officer want to quit the Army ea

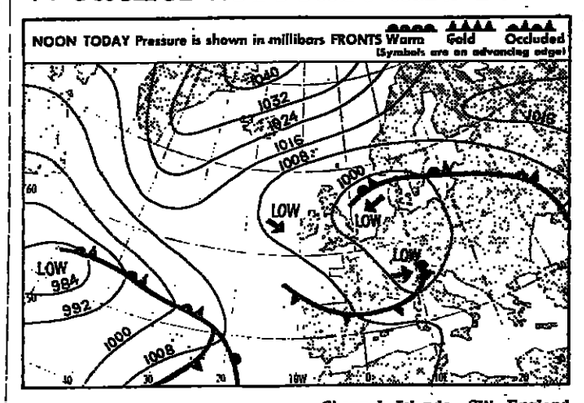
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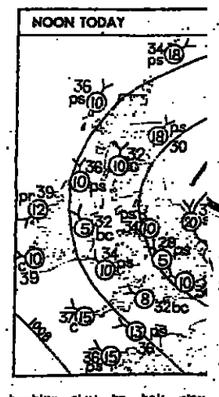
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Jet fighter 'dam

Villagers at Llangfil Arth, Dyfed, have co of damage, costing hu pounds, to buildin animals after a jet fig low over the area on

Weather forecast and recordings





Today

Sun rises: 7.19 am
Sun sets: 5.11 pm
Moon rises: 9.53 am
Moon sets: 12.27 am tomorrow
First quarter: Tomorrow.
Lighting up: 5.41 pm to 6.47 am.
High water: London Bridge, 5.23 am, 7.1m (23.4ft); 5.53 pm, 6.9m (22.8ft). Avonmouth, 10.58 am, 12.2m (40.1ft); 11.9 pm, 11.6m (38.1ft). Dover, 2.30 am, 6.5m (21.3ft); 2.56 pm, 6.1m (19.9ft). Hull, 9.56 am, 6.6m (21.7ft); 10.2 pm, 6.7m (22.1ft). Liverpool, 2.49 am, 8.5m (28.0ft); 3.6 pm, 8.6m (28.2ft).

A depression is moving slowly over the North Sea, with a very cold airstream persisting over the British Isles.

Forecasts for 6 am to midnight:

London, SE, Central S England, East Anglia, Midlands: Cloudy, occasional snow; wind W, light or moderate; max temp 0°C (32°F).

E, NE England, Borders, Edinburgh, Dundee, Aberdeen, Central Highlands: Periods of snow, heavy in places; wind N, moderate or fresh; max temp 0°C (32°F).

Channel Islands, SW England, S Wales: Sunny intervals, snow showers; wind W to NW, moderate or fresh; max temp 0°-3°C (32°-37°F).

N Wales, NW, Central N England: Occasional snow, becoming more persistent; wind NW, moderate; max temp 0°C (32°F).

Lake District, Isle of Man, SW Scotland, Glasgow: Cloudy, snow at times; wind N, moderate; max temp 0°C (32°F).

Argyll, NW Scotland, N Ireland: Sunny intervals, snow showers; wind N, moderate, locally fresh; max temp 1-2°C (34°-36°F).

Moray Firth, NE Scotland, Orkney: Cloudy, snow at times; wind NE, fresh; max temp 0°C (32°F).

Shetland: Cloudy, snow showers; wind NE, fresh; max temp 1°C (34°F).

Outlook for tomorrow and Wednesday: Very cold with severe night frost and snow showers, especially in N and E. SW may have more general snow later.

Sea passages: S North Sea: Wind variable, moderate; sea slight.

Strait of Dover, English Channel (E): Wind variable, becoming NW, fresh or strong; sea ate.

St George's Channel, Ir Wind N, fresh or stro moderate.

b—blue sky; bc—half clou cloudy; o—overcast; [—fog; d h—hail; m—sleet; r—rain; th—thunderstorm; p—showe periodical rain with snow.

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London: Temp: max, 6 6 pm, 1°C (34°F); min to 6 am, 4°C (25°F). Hu 6 pm, 63 per cent. Rain, 6 pm, nil. Sun, 24 hr. 8.2 hr. Bar, mean sea leve 1,002.3 millibars, steady. 1,000 millibars=29.53 in.

WEATHER REPORTS YESTERDAY MIDDAY: c, cloud; f, fair; r, rain; s, sun; sn, snow.

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Athens	s	18	64	Dublin	c	0	32	Luxembourg	f	−2	28
Barcelona	s	16	61	Edinburgh	f	−1	30	Madrid	s	4	39
Bergen	s	17	63	Florence	f	10	50	Majorca	s	11	52
Belfast	s	7	45	Funchal	c	11	52	Malaga	r	13	55
Berlin	sn	−1	30	Geneva	s	−1	30	Malta	s	15	59
Biarritz	r	7	45	Gibraltar	r	11	52	Manchester	c	0	32
Birmingham	sn	−1	30	Guernsey	c	−1	30	Moscow	c	−2	28
Bristol	sn	−1	30	Innsbruck	s	−1	30	Munich	s	−2	28
Brussels	s	0	32	Jersey	s	−1	30	Naples	r	10	50
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Oslo	s	0	32	Salzburg	s	−1	30	Tunis	s	13	55
Paris	s	4	39	Stockholm	s	−3	27	Valencia	r	11	52
Reykjavik	c	0	32	Tel Aviv	s	17	63	Venice	c	3	37
Rome	s	4	39	Toronto	c	−7	19	Vienna	c	1	34
Rondeswy	s	0	32	Warsaw	c	−3	27	Zurich	r	−1	30

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Train kills man

A man aged 19 was killed early yesterday by a newspaper train while trying to recover his ticket from a railway line at Kettering, Northamptonshire. Police withheld his name temporarily.

Football fans killed in crash named

Eight football supporters, who died in a car crash north of Winchester on Saturday, were named by police yesterday after they had been identified by relatives. All were Millwall supporters travelling to their team's match at Southampton.

They were in a Hillman Avenger which was in collision with a breakdown truck. Seven of the eight were from Basingstoke. They were:

Rodney Phillips, aged 19, of Coombehurst Drive; Stephen Medcraft, aged 19, of Culver Road; William Ward, aged 20, of Haydn Close; Robert Bond, aged 20, of Paddock Road; Arthur Allen Smith, aged 20, the driver of the car, of Arundel Gardens; Stephen Bayes, aged 19, of Baird Close; and Stephen King, aged 19, of Paddock Road. John Webb, aged 21, of Strathan Close, Wandsworth, was the eighth man.

Ministers divided over fund from oil revenue

By Our Political Reporter

Some Cabinet ministers appeared last night to be departing from the proposal that all revenues from North Sea oil should be paid into a special fund. A final decision will be taken this week.

Mr Wedgwood Benn, Secretary of State for Energy, and TUC leaders have argued that the revenues should be kept distinct from other government revenue, partly because the oil revenues could be monitored and their use made more publicly accountable.

While a sizable group in the Cabinet share that view, close examination shows that it may not be practicable. The Cabinet is to decide on Thursday, when it will have before it a paper prepared by a group of ministers.

The argument is partly over how best to allocate the oil revenues. Many on the left take the line that a fund would prevent the Treasury from having total control.

However, some ministers believe it would be extremely difficult to quantify all the financial benefits traceable directly to revenue from the oil.

NUS seeks 26 pc rise in student grants

The National Union of Students is to demand a 26 per cent rise in student grants from the Government.

The claim would increase the basic grant from £1,010 to £1,280 and from £1,145 to £1,450 for London students. For students living at home it would rise from £785 to £995.

The union is also launching a national campaign today to draw attention to the plight of 300,000 of its members taking non-advanced, full-time courses in Britain's 450 further education colleges. Their grants are at the discretion of local authorities.

SWP may fight Callaghan seat

The Socialist Workers Party in Cardiff is appealing for £700 by May 31 to help to finance a candidate against the Prime Minister in Cardiff, South-East.

FACTS you will wish to consider when making a will

★ Over 300,000 of Britain's old people are in genuine need because of acute loneliness, bad housing or disability. The number is growing as the proportion of elderly people increases.

An official report records the sad fact that many old people are "huddled in icy rooms, wrapped in rugs, unable to afford proper heating". It is medically estimated that up to 20,000 are at risk in winter from "hypothermia" (fall in "inner" body temperature).

★ The tragic need of old people is increasing.

★ Voluntary service is increasingly needed to bring personal care to old people, and to meet widening gaps left by state organisations.

★ Old people overseas also struggle against terrible hunger and lack of medical help.

How Help the Aged get things done for those in the greatest need.

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★ In places stricken by earthquakes, floods and famine, and hunger, Help the Aged is well known for its swift practical aid.

The charity's work has been endorsed by many eminent people, including Lord Shawcross, General Sir Brian Horrocks, and Dame Vera Lynn. Its President is the Rt. Hon. Lord Gardiner; Hon. Treasurer, The Rt. Hon. Lord Maybray-King.

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t of recommendations to ine the future organiza- the BBC's sound, film, raphic and written s is near completion two years' work by an y committee headed by Briggs, Provost of Wor- College, Oxford, and the official historian.
n it reports to the BBC ors in June or July the tee will put before roposals about the dis- n of the archives be- different agencies, try to an assessment of the potential demand for se, both within and out- e BBC, and set out its n costings for each area

committee has been in groups, covering uch as television, music umentaries.
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on was a basic diffu- uch news material was st; the study of com- ons was developing Unless material was d it was virtually lost. nk we came into the not a moment too ord Briggs said. "If we had not, a great deal more would have been lost."
Looking at material held by the BBC was only part of the story; a fair amount of recorded material broadcast before the war is in private hands. BBC "high-ups" had kept their own files, and a number of them had gone.
After it has reported to the governors, the committee will probably remain in existence to look at specific categories of archive material.
"The governors will have to determine to what extent and when they would be able to implement the report", Lord Briggs said. "It will be up to the governors to decide whether to publish it."
Historic musical scores, with annotations by their composers, are stored in the BBC's Written Archives Centre at Caversham, near Reading, with thousands of documents which give fascinating insights into the sort of negotiations that took place between programme producers and contributors.
There is, for example, a note of a fee of one guinea paid to the Hungarian composer, Bela Bartok, for a performance by him of a piano concerto.
There are also boxes of the original illustrations which filled the pages of the *Radio Times*. Weather charts drawn up in 1936 for television purposes are remarkably similar to those shown today.
The records run from 1922 to 1954. From the start of broadcasting, as each programme went on the air a detailed log of each item was kept. Radio plays list not only the cast, date and time of each production, but also its running length.
Researchers can visit the centre and a charge of £3 is made for up to a day spent there.
As a lay inquirer with an interest in music in wartime, I asked if they had any material relating to Dobson and Young, who delivered radio lectures under the title, "Music with a Smile", a series that furthered many listeners' musical education.
There was, indeed, a bulky file on the two men, tracing their rise to radio prominence after working as lecturers on music in army establishments.
The future of this and other centres, with their vast stores of material reflecting the life of the country during more than thirty years, will be a vital concern of the BBC governors after the report of Lord Briggs's committee reaches them this summer.



The entrance to the transformer hall deep inside the Elidyr mountains, Dinorwic, Gwynedd. Photograph by Harry Karr

Power giant has home in mountain

From Tim Jones
Dinorwic, Gwynedd

Standing deep inside the Elidyr mountain, close by a dark and snow-capped Snowdon, is a bumbling experience. There, in wildest Wales, the Central Electricity Generating Board is building Europe's largest pumped storage power station.
When it is finished early in the next decade, only a slate-dressed tunnel entrance will hint to the passing hiker that here two thousand men worked for seven years on one of the biggest engineering projects ever undertaken in Britain. It is expected to cost a total of £310m.
Dinorwic is so vast that engineers had to take into account the curvature of the Earth in order to ensure the accuracy of their calculations.
When completed the underground chamber housing the main plant will be twice as long and half as wide as a football pitch and deeper than a 16-storey building. It will have the fastest response of any pumped storage scheme in the world, being able to contribute 1,320 MW to the national grid within 10 seconds of demand.
Dinorwic is possible because of the proximity of two lakes, Marchlyn Mawr, cold and deep and Llyn Peris, 1,640 feet below, which attracts thousands of visitors each year. When electricity is required, water from Marchlyn will be released to turn six turbine generators with a combined maximum output of 1,880 MW, equivalent to more than the average demand for the whole of Wales.
At the end of the cycle, off-peak, cheap-rate electricity will be used to convert the turbines into pumps to force the water back up to Marchlyn Mawr.
Both lakes are being extended to increase their capacity, but expensive landscaping will ensure that none of their outstanding natural beauty will be impaired, although Llyn Peris, which is to be drained to facilitate excavation work, poses an unusual ecological challenge.
The lake contains a species of char virtually unchanged since the last ice age. Experts from the Welsh National Water Development Authority are studying the fish with a view to establishing them elsewhere.
Dinorwic has cut a swathe through the notoriously high unemployment figures in the area. The board agreed with Gwynedd County Council that at least seven tenths of the hourly paid workers must have lived within the county boundaries for at least five years. In fact, the figure for manual workers is much higher and use of the Welsh language extends even to top-level consultative meetings.

Improved safety standards for radiological tests

By Our Health Services Correspondent

New standards for meters to help doctors and equipment manufacturers to reduce radiation levels in patients undergoing radiological examination are announced today by the International Electrotechnical Commission.
The commission, with headquarters in Geneva, has already issued safety standards for medical electrical and electronic equipment. Using these, the commission says, manufacturers are assured of meeting minimum safety requirements in all nations.
The new standards apply to the performance and testing of area exposure product meters, which measure the level of radiation to which patients are exposed. The standards make possible the comparison of different examination methods and the maintenance of a technique giving minimum radiation.

Scientologists to petition Parliament

A petition to Parliament is being launched by the Church of Scientology in an effort to remove the ban on foreign scientologists entering Britain, which has been operating for 10 years.
The church hopes to collect 20,000 signatures in an attempt to persuade the Home Office to meet it for discussions. Previous requests for meetings have been persistently refused, it says.
The church, which has been involved in controversy because of its views on psychiatric treatment, says Britain alone bans entry.

Lines disengaged

Efforts will be made today to end the strike that has cut the Republic of Ireland's telephone and telex links with Britain and the rest of Europe since last Friday.

Delay over retirement plan upsets teachers

By Our Education Correspondent

Teachers are concerned about the long delay in implementing the early retirement scheme for teachers aged 50 and over, which the Government announced two years ago.
The Assistant Masters' Association, representing teachers in secondary schools, has written to Mrs Williams, Secretary of State for Education and Science, expressing "considerable disquiet" that so far only about a third of the draft regulations to give statutory authority to the premature retirement compensation regulations have been issued.
Many teachers had already entered into discussions with local authorities about the implementation of the scheme, but only a few authorities seemed prepared to enter detailed negotiations without the authority of the regulations.
Under the new scheme teachers aged 50 and over who are made redundant or who leave their jobs "in the interest of the efficient exercise of the employer's functions" will receive immediately the superannuation benefits that have accrued to them.
In addition, the local authority may at its own discretion enlarge the accrued superannuation benefits by making an allowance of "added years" so that a teacher who retired after, say, only 30 years of service could get the full pension now given to those with 40 years' or more service.
Local authorities are aware that the scheme could help them to find a way out of their difficulties over what to do with the older inefficient, incompetent, unsuitably qualified, or simply supernumerary teachers.

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In ensuing months advice from orthopaedic surgeons, osteopaths and doctors not only proved ineffective in producing a cure but sometimes led to torture in the process of treatment that appeared to make the suffering worse, he says.
His advice is: "Be patient, backs take a long time to heal; and learn to live with discomfort".
The association plans to produce simple leaflets of advice written by experts.
Dr Ruth Bowden, chairman of the association's education committee and professor of anatomy at the Royal Free Hospital School of Medicine, London University, points out that there are 29 bones in the back and well over 130 ligaments.
Doctors still have much to learn about the nervous system and the interaction of groups of muscles, including even how a good posture is maintained. Some muscles controlling the back also affect the breathing mechanism.
Although there is much to learn, to the too few research workers are handicapped by scarce funds, reliable "do's and don'ts" are known, she says.

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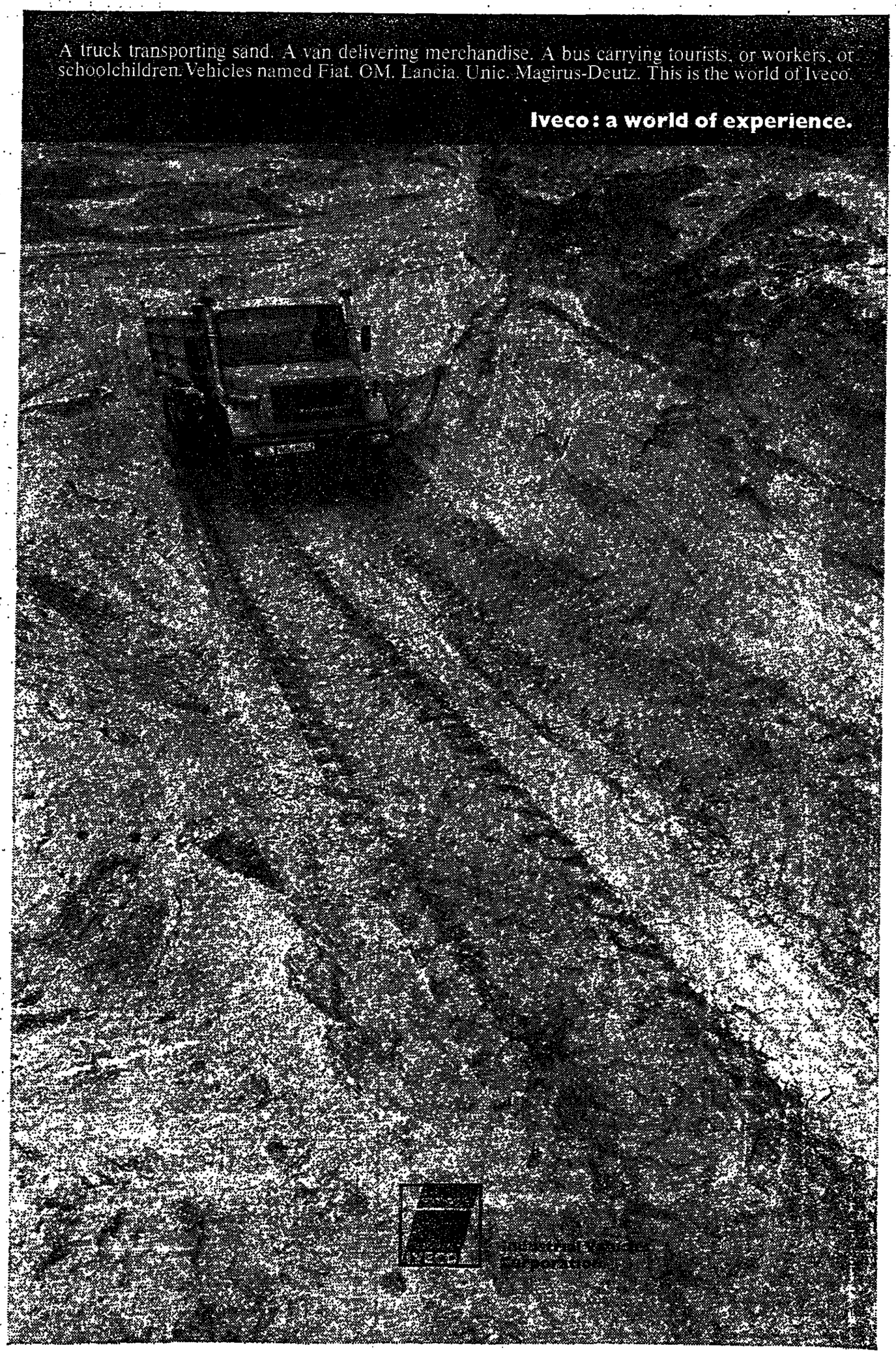
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The alliance represents some of the largest buyers of food raw materials covered by EEC farm policy. Its 173 British members use more than 350,000 tonnes of sugar a year. That is equivalent to more than a third of all sugar produced in Britain from the prolific beet harvest of 1977. They also use some 8,000 tonnes of butter and 50,000 tonnes of milk solids a year.
Farmers say that the present use of the green pound to hold down food prices is unfair to them. It enables suppliers in other EEC countries to win Community subsidies of up to 30 per cent when they sell food here. Sir Henry Plumb, president of the NFU, has asked how chocolate companies would like chocolate to enter Britain with a subsidy of 30 per cent.
Mr Alec McClumpha, chairman of the supply committee, replied to that in an interview last week. "We have no intervention stores in which we can sell surplus bars of chocolate or blocks of toffee", he said.
He and Mr Anderson accepted readily that British pig and cattle farmers were suffering from the operation of the green pound and the subsidies related to it. But they saw no reason for raising prices of many other products to ease the agony of livestock farmers, especially as the Community already had surpluses of many foods affected by changes in the green pound.
Sir Henry said in a recent interview with *The Times* that Mr Silkin had failed as Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food. Mr Anderson said: "As far as we are concerned, he has not failed. He has redressed the balance. Everything Silkin has done he has done with an eye on the final effect on consumers." Mr McClumpha added: "If he has failed, he has failed honorably."
They were sceptical of the need for rises in farm support prices at the coming price-fixing in Brussels. "We should like the price to us to come down", Mr McClumpha said. "This is without making any judgment on farmers' incomes. Higher prices mean more production which goes into intervention stores, which is nonsense."
They wanted to maintain imports of cane sugar from outside the EEC, even though the Community had a surplus of sugar from beet. Cane sugar is more versatile and more suitable for some sweets. Mr McClumpha said there was no case for raising the price of sugarbeet. "The growing of sugarbeet is a most attractive agricultural operation in the United Kingdom right now. It seems that there was a lot of interest in growing sugarbeet even before the decision to devalue the green pound".
Mr Anderson returned to the complaint of farmers that they faced competition from imported foods subsidized to their disadvantage through the Community's system of monetary compensatory amounts. He said the amounts were added to the cost of sales made abroad by members of the alliance, which constitute the leading export sector of the British food processing industry. Their competitiveness was therefore blunted.
That illustrated the sharing of many long-term aims by the alliance and by farmers, "if only we could reform the common agricultural policy", Mr Anderson said.



School race report defended by authors

By Our Education Correspondent

The four former teachers responsible for the controversial Schools Council report on multiracial education, referred to in *The Times* last Thursday, said yesterday that they would accept editing by the council for style and length, but not substantial cuts amounting to censorship.

A team from the Schools Council, which gave £145,000 for the four-year project, and from the National Foundation for Educational Research, under whose auspices the project work was carried out, are deciding how much, if any, of the first five introductory chapters of the book should be published.

It is hoped that a new, abbreviated introduction will be ready for presentation at the next meeting, on February 28, of the Schools Council's programme committee, which is the body responsible for overseeing all council reports before publication. Comments by white children showing varying degrees of racial hostility are likely to be deleted.

The four project team members were: Mr Robert Jeffcoate, aged 37, editor of the book, who had just obtained an MA in educational research at Lancaster University when he started work for the project in 1973 and is now head of the English department in a secondary school in Birmingham; Mrs Shirley Hadie, who teaches English as a second language in a further education centre in London; Miss Rosalyn Street-Porter, formerly a London primary school teacher; and Miss Mary Worrall, who was an editor with Oxford University Press when the project began and now works for Oxfam.

The purpose of the project, as originally proposed by the National Union of Teachers, the National Association for Multi-Racial Education and the educational research foundation, was to put forward proposals for the development of multi-racial education in schools. It was not intended to be research into racial attitudes in schools.

In a joint statement issued yesterday the four team members said: "*Any attempt to interfere* with the logic of our argument or the force of the evidence quoted to substantiate it would make a nonsense of the book".

Members of the Schools Council's programme committee have complained that the disputed first five chapters present a one-sided picture of race relations in schools.

Royal Marine commando trains for a tripwire role in the snow

By Peter Hennessy

Being a tripwire can be difficult, particularly if the object to be caught is the Red Army. In the event of international conflict, 45 Commando Royal Marines, which is taking part in "Operation Clockwork" in the Narvik area, will almost certainly fight alongside Norway's citizen army in the Lyngen gap, a narrow strip of frozen mountain and waste where the Finnish wedge points a long finger towards the sea.

To the north-east, across the largely indefensible tundra of the Norwegian province of Finnmark, stands on Russia's Kola peninsula a massive concentration of military force. The Soviet Union's Northern Fleet sits in Murmansk, bristling with nuclear weapons, and a large force of infantry is permanently stationed along the Norwegian border in the shape of 314 Motor Rifle Division, supported by 300 fighter aircraft, 568 armoured vehicles, and 216 pieces of artillery. Nato is outnumbered on its northern flank three to one.

Politicians do not always like referring to the Russians directly when discussing strategic planning. They even use the codename "Orange" rather than "Red" for the forces of the Warsaw Pact. Marines, being simpler and more direct, do not mince their words. Surveying the logistical position at his Elvegardsmoen headquarters, Lieutenant-Colonel John Grey, commanding officer of 45 Commando, explained with refreshing candour: "The whole object of all this kit is to get Marine Bloggins into the snow with a rifle to kill Russians".

Stated baldly, poor Bloggins is going to have to take a good deal in the Lyngen gap if the worst happens. In addition to 314 division pushing down the main road from the north, a second motorized division would cross Finland from the Leningrad military district and a marine division from Murmansk would land on the Norwegian coast in 200 assault craft. Should Bloggins and his colleagues still manage to "throttle them in the gap", to use the phrase favoured by 45 Commando, the Russians are expected to retaliate with chemical warfare by firing rockets filled with hydrogen cyanide.

In a period of defence cuts and possible uncertainties in the Atlantic alliance there are several questions to preoccupy Mr Duffy, Under-Secretary of State for the Royal Navy, and the five British and two Norwegian MPs who this week are visiting 45 Commando and 42 Commando, the latter experiencing their first winter to the south. The first and most pressing is whether British forces and their kit would reach northern Norway in time if international relations suddenly turned sour. Unless they are in place, alongside the Norwegians, ready to meet "Orange" forces, there is no chance. The commando troops exercise in Norway for three months each winter. The rest of the year they spend at their home base in Arbroath or in Ulster.

Crucial to the calculation is whether the specialist amphibious vessels, Bulwark and Hermes, would be allowed a quick dash to Norway before assuming their priority task of anti-submarine warfare. If they are not, at least some of 45 Commando will still be in Arbroath after three and a half days and the Sea King helicopters needed to lift the new 105mm gun, the commando's artillery mainstay, will be somewhere in the Atlantic instead of in Norway.

Defence planners in London insist they have enough vessels.

In an emergency, the biggest question of all would hang over the political will of Nato. North Norway is not just so much tundra to the Russians. It has ice-free ports, all-weather airfields and, most important, the wherewithal to monitor the movement of Soviet submarines passing into the north Atlantic through the Greenland-Iceland-Faroes gap. If the area as far south as Narvik was taken the north Atlantic would be largely open.

Would the United States resort to nuclear war in retaliation for a limited Russian advance of that kind? Critical to the equation is whether Nato forces in northern Norway are sufficient to act as a deterrent to such an advance by slowing it, inflicting heavy losses and turning such Soviet adventurism into an unacceptably high risk. British defence planners are convinced they are, provided Nato's axiom holds that an attack on one member is aggression against all. For that reason, the heroic demise of Marine Bloggins in the Lyngen snows is not an event generally expected in Whitehall.

To be concluded



A Royal Navy helicopter crew during Arctic training.

Unions and churches in plan for child aid

By Pat Healy
Social Services Correspondent

The Cabinet will face pressure from the unions and the churches to raise child benefits substantially when it meets this week to decide on proposals for another increase in November.

Twenty-two members of the TUC General Council have signed an open letter to the Chancellor calling for a big increase in child benefits.

The Roman Catholic Bishops of England and Wales have submitted a similar plea, and 100 leading members of the General Synod of the Church of England have signed a petition calling for part of any tax reduction to be used to raise the benefits.

The Cabinet will be discussing proposals from the joint working party on child benefits, composed of two Cabinet ministers, two backbench Labour MPs and two members of the TUC General Council.

The working party wants a second increase this year after the rise in April, which will be partly financed by a further withdrawal of child tax allowances.

The April rises will increase the benefit rates of £1 for the first child and £1.50 for others to £2.30 a week for each child. The rate for the first in one-parent families will rise from £1.50 to £3.30 a week.

The working party wants the Government to add £1 a week in November, costing a total of £300m, when social security benefits are due to go up.

More suspect oranges found

Two more Israeli oranges thought to have been poisoned with mercury have been found in Norfolk. They were bought by Mr Stephen Clarke, aged 19, a factory worker, of Thetford, at the village post office in Great Hockham.

The rest of the stock was withdrawn from sale pending checks by public health officials.

Snake offer after bite

Mr Andrew Ferguson, aged 20, a student, of Crewe, Cheshire, is to offer his African puff adder to Chester Zoo. Mr Ferguson was bitten by the snake, one of the world's most poisonous, on Saturday, but yesterday was "comfortable" in hospital.



M Chirac giving a double "V for victory" sign at his Paris rally.

M Chirac rouses Gaullist party

From Charles Hargrove
Paris, Feb 12

Up to 100,000 wildly cheering, chanting, flagwaving supporters gave M Jacques Chirac a hero's welcome at a mammoth Gaullist rally on the "red" northern fringe of Paris yesterday.

The bitterly cold weather which penetrated through the canvas-covered sides of the hall did not dampen their enthusiasm. The Gaullist leader got a long standing ovation at the end of a hard-hitting speech in which he proclaimed his faith in victory, and lashed out at the left, especially at the Socialists and their leader, M François Mitterrand.

"Yes, we shall win. Yes, we are going to win", M Chirac called out. "We are going to win", the crowd echoed him, at the close of his speech.

At his invitation, it intoned the *Marseillaise* with one voice before breaking out in a torrent of shouts and cheers. Even the distinguished guests present were caught up in the surge of popular demonstration and stood on their chairs to applaud the hero of the day.

If the object of the Gaullist leader was to strike the imagination of friend and foe alike, and demonstrate the strong popular base of the Gaullist Rassemblement, its drive and discipline, and the key role it must inevitably play in the elections, he succeeded hands down.

Only the Communists in France are capable of staging a mass rally of this kind, of mobilizing the crowds and whipping up their enthusiasm to such a pitch.

The crowd at the Porte de Pantin yesterday was a young crowd. Drawn from all walks of life, the crowd was mostly under 30. Significantly leather jacketed workers were rubbing shoulders with the sons of the bourgeoisie. It was a crowd which gave the lie to that right wing, conservative, neo-fascist image the left has always tried to fasten on to M Chirac.

The rally was meant to show the vitality of the Gaullist movement by producing a crowd at least as large as the one at the Porte de Versailles a year ago which saw the birth of the new Rassemblement.

It was also designed to a salutary shock to the dis supporters of the Gover Majority, and to those fl voters resigned to a left victory.

Leftist lead: Opinion poll a lead to France's Soc Communist Opposition in month's general elections latest poll, published in weekly news magazine *Le* today, gives the left-wing ties 52 per cent of the round vote, with 44 per for the Government p two per cent for ecology dates and two per cen others.

According to this pol left will win a 33-seat ma in the National Assemi they agree beforehand to each other's best-placed dates in the March 19 s round ballot.

If no such agreeme forthcoming—and the Cc nists are refusing to c themselves—the poll su that the Government will hold on to power majority of 261 to 212.—R

Assembly backs Soares Government programme

From Jose Shercliff
Lisbon, Feb 12

The programme of Dr Soares's second government was accepted by the Assembly of the Republic early today.

The programme, which aims at economic recovery, was worked out by the Socialists and the Christian Democratic Party, partners in the government coalition.

The debate in the Assembly lasted four days, ending about 4 am today. Dr Soares said ditions in which we can work later: "We now have the con with tranquillity. The Opposition must play its own role."

The Opposition consists of the Social Democratic Party and the Communists and is politically divided. Senhor Sousa Franco, the Social Democratic leader, has stated that his party's opposition will not be systematic but "selective".

During the debate both the Social Democratic Party and the Communists had proposed motions for the rejection of the Government's programme. Both were defeated.

In his speech at the end of the debate Dr Soares said that the country's economic problems could not be solved without international help.

Negotiations with the International Monetary Fund for a $50m (£25m) loan, which were recently suspended by mutual consent, are to be reopened next month. It is understood that a Portuguese delegation is in the United States preparing for an IMF delegation to visit Portugal.

The prospective IMF loan is to create more favourable conditions for granting Portugal a larger multinational loan.

Senhor Vitor Constancio, the Minister of the Economy and a former deputy-governor of the Bank of Portugal, told the Assembly yesterday that Portugal continued to consume more than it could afford. Portugal still had "appreciable" gold reserves "but they will not last very long". The country's financial position demanded sacrifices by all.

Salazar statue: The headless statue of Dr Salazar, the former Prime Minister, in his birthplace of Santa Comba Dao, is to be handed over to his family, according to the Minister of Justice. It is the property of the ministry.

The town's local authorities had earlier announced that the new head cast for the statue would be publicly placed on it and the statue would remain in the town's main square.

The statue was decapitated in the early days of the revolution of April, 1974.

Youths rel against party lines

From Gretel Spitzer
Berlin, Feb 12

Congresses of the co parties' youth organizatio at the weekend reflecte resentment of the yo generation at the polic their elders.

The Judos, the young Democrats, demanded the nation of Herr W Maihofer, the Free Dem Minister of the Interior.

The Jusos, the organi of some 350,000 Social crats, under 35, is com to party discipline. They lenged the party, howev demanding that Herr K Uwe Benneter, their f chairman, who was ex from the party for dev from the party line, sho reinstated.

A resolution rejectin Government's anti-terror sures to be presented t Bundestag next week passed unanimously.

Though united on this and in their criticism c mother party the Jusos ar into three groups. Two o aim at strengthening M tendencies and the third at anti-capitalist measures by the present Social Dem tic Party.

Million TV licence bilkers evading £15m a year

The latest estimate of television licence evasion is about a million licences and a loss in revenue of about £15m a year.

Home Office, Jan 31

Police resignations: The numbers of police officers who have resigned from the service in England and Wales are: 1975, 2,701; 1976, 3,287; 1977, 5,166.

Home Office, Feb 7

Water revenue: The total estimated revenue income of water authorities in England and Wales in 1977-78 will be £1,140,515,000.

Environment, Feb 2

School-leavers: It is estimated that 71,000 young people will leave school in England and Wales at Easter to seek employment. In Scotland, where different school-leaving regulations apply, it is estimated that about 18,000 young people who left school in December, 1977, now want employment.

Employment, Jan 31

Road and rail accidents: The total economic costs of road accidents for 1977 and the corresponding costs for railway accidents during the same period were about £500m and £5m respectively.

Transport, Feb 1

Hospital beds: The average daily number of available beds in hospitals in England for all specialities was as follows: 1970, 422,600; 1971, 419,600; 1972, 412,700; 1973, 403,500; 1974, 396,200; 1975, 387,600; 1976, 383,100.

Social Services, Jan 31

Housing starts and completions: The number of houses started in the public sector in England between January and November, 1977, was 119,500. The number completed was 127,000. The figures for the private sector were 109,100 and 110,800.

Environment, Jan 31

Museums: The total amounts, at January 1, reported by the national museums, galleries and libraries in England as covered by certificates of indemnity issued in respect of objects lent to their permanent collections on a long-term basis were:

British Museum, £607,398; Science Museum, £500,000; Victoria and Albert Museum, £9,620,778; Imperial War Museum, £79,437; National Gallery, £8,900,000; National Maritime Museum, £807,312; National Portrait Gallery, £261,000; Tate Gallery, £2,600,000; Wallace Collection, nil; British Museum (Natural History), nil; Geological Museum, nil; British Library approximately, £1,590,000. Total, £24,875,931.

Education and Science, Feb 6

Gross domestic product: Assuming the same annual growth rate for each country as in the past 10 years, the gross domestic product a head in dollars in 1975 and 1985, respectively, is as follows: West Germany, 6,790, 9,440; France, 6,360, 9,120; Italy, 4,110, 5,980; United Kingdom, 3,250, 3,770; Netherlands 6,040, 8,550.

Treasury, Feb 3

Road signs: The cost of erecting a typical advance direction sign measuring 20ft by 20ft, including posts, foundations and lighting, is £4,000.

Transport, Jan 26

Road signs (metrication): The estimated cost of between £7.5m and £8.5m for metricating road signs throughout Great Britain includes the cost of reerection.

Transport, Jan 23

Caravans: The National Caravan Council estimates that there are 245,000 static holiday caravans on licensed sites in the United Kingdom.

Environment, Jan 23

Sheep: Provisional figures from the census in June, 1977, put the United Kingdom sheep-breeding flock at 13,697,000.

Agriculture, Jan 23

Fire-fighting: 325 servicemen were injured, most of them slightly, during fire-fighting duties, but two men died after an accident involving an appliance.

Defence, Jan 25

Personal incomes: The taxable unearned incomes required to produce a net annual income of £100,000, £200,000 and £500,000, assuming the taxpayer is single with no dependants and aged under 65, are approximately £4.7m, £9.7m and £24.7m respectively.

Treasury, Jan 26

United Nations: In 1976 the United Kingdom contributed nearly £9.1m to the regular budget of the United Nations and nearly £51.3m to United Nations funds and agencies, a total of nearly £60.4m.

Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, Jan 25

Motor cars: In the period January to October, 1977, 13,373 passenger cars valued at £11.5m (cost, insurance, freight) were imported into the United Kingdom from the USSR, and 29, valued at £70,000 (free on board), exported to the USSR.

Trade, Jan 24

Spirits: Receipts of customs and excise duty and estimated receipts from value-added tax on spirits in 1976 were £864.1m and £115m respectively, a total of £971.1m.

Treasury, Jan 26

Answers in Parliament

A periodic digest of information given in parliamentary written replies with the sources and dates on which they appear in Hansard.

More anti-smoking advice in primary schools urged

Primary school teachers should do more to discourage children from smoking. Leaving it until they go to secondary school at 11 could be too late, Dr Guy Wigley, medical adviser to the Inner London Education Authority, has stated.

A recent survey found that 7.9 per cent of boys and 2.6 per cent of girls in primary schools were regular smokers. Another survey disclosed that a fifth of girls interviewed said they had started smoking before they were 11 years old.

"The strong and clear evidence is that to leave action to secondary school teachers alone is to misread the need", Dr Wigley said in an article in the ILEA magazine, *Contact*.

German forecast of assembly without Britain

From Our Correspondent
Berlin, Feb 12

Dr Martin Bangemann, foreign affairs spokesman of the West German Free Democrats, has predicted that Britain will elect no delegates to the European Parliament unless the Labour Party drops its attitude of "hostility to Europe".

Dr Bangemann, who is deputy chairman of the Liberals in the European Parliament, told a press conference yesterday that the EEC could not go on bothering about a partner who was just not interested. However, he thought that six months after the election of a parliament without British representation, Britain would be trying to join it.

EEC becomes an issue for Dutch Labour

From Our Correspondent
Amsterdam, Feb 12

The EEC seems to be turning into a political issue in the hitherto staunchly pro-European Netherlands.

"The unconditional faith of the Labour Party in furthering European integration is wavering", it was stated at an extraordinary congress of the largest Dutch political party in The Hague at the weekend.

The main objections of the Dutch Labour Opposition to developments within the European Community are that Europe has turned out to be mainly an instrument of "capitalist economic expansion".

Mediterranean clean-up agreements in force

From Alan McGregor
Geneva, Feb 12

A further step in the slow process of cleaning up the Mediterranean was taken today with the coming into force of three anti-pollution agreements.

Negotiated under the aegis of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), the accords outlaw the dumping at sea of toxic substances, make compulsory the fight against oil spills and commit all 18 Mediterranean countries to protect their common heritage. Albania, however, is not as yet associating itself with this endeavour.

The three agreements, signed in Barcelona two years ago, have now been ratified by at least six states—Spain, Tunisia, Monaco, Lebanon, Malta and Yugoslavia. France will follow suit within the next few days and most of the other countries will ratify them by the end of the year.

The next stage is the treaty on land-based sources of pollution—industrial waste, municipal sewage and agricultural chemicals — responsible for about 85 per cent of all M *ranean pollution. The fin* touches will be put to a conference at UNEP's Eur office here in October.

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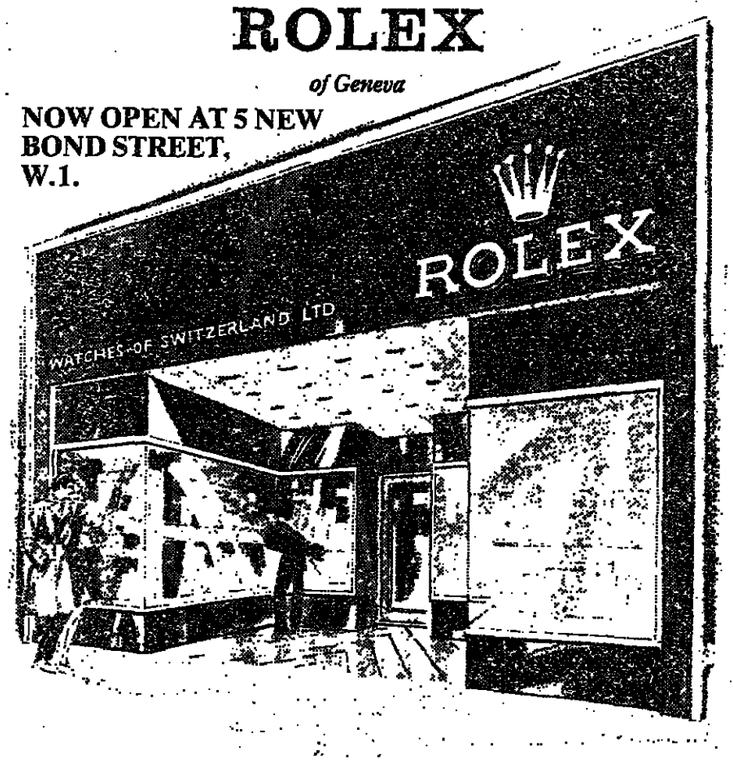
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behind Jijiga, and had 15,000 men there, supported by artillery, tanks and MiG fighters.

To take Jijiga will require hard fighting, since the town lies on a broad plateau, ideal terrain for tanks. Ethiopian strategy appears to be based on steadily reinforcing their strength in the south and east, while their forces on the northern front, having opened up the railway, try to move around behind Jijiga, to take the Somalis in the rear.

Meanwhile the Ogaden around Harer is rapidly returning to normal life. While Ethiopian patrols fanned out today from their forward position on the southern front—a sheltered green spot in the hills just in range of Somali artillery—dark-eyed peasants and their families were cheerfully herding oxen on the way back to their homes.

Although most of them speak the same language and are of similar ethnic group to the Somali forces who have lately been thrown off their land, the Ethiopian Minister of Health has spoken of massacres of old people in the area. Some of the buildings along this particular road have been shattered by shellfire and there are 5,000 displaced persons being cared for in Harer.

Asked about casualties, Colonel Nagash said the Somalis had lost one division in the Harer region, which had been replaced through intensive recruitment in Mogadishu. He put Ethiopian losses at 500-700 killed and 1,500 wounded. They had taken only 17 prisoners.

Later these men were shown to the press at the door of their prison hut.

I asked the colonel why there were so few prisoners in the war. "The Somalis have told them that if they fall into our hands they will be butchered", he said, "so they are afraid of giving themselves up. And secondly, the Somalis have a firing squad in close attendance, to watch for deserters."

The Ethiopians displayed a considerable amount of booty from their recent counter-attack. Pride of place was given to several 106mm anti-tank guns, claimed to be evidence of American support for the Somali invasion. However, the sides of the guns were embossed in Spanish, showing that they were manufactured in Oviedo. Likewise a pile of ammunition in boxes marked "Nato" cartridges, which have confirmed all Ethiopian suspicions about Western complicity in the war, had no indication of origin, and looked like a job lot of ammunition on the international market.

Colonel Lelega Beyene, the political officer in Harer, explained at some length that no Cubans or Russians were fighting on the Ethiopian side. Their role, he insisted, was as advisers or technicians or in providing medical assistance to Ethiopian troops. The Government, he said, had no reason to conceal its gratitude for their help.



Bishop Muzorewa addre his party congress in Salisbury.

Bishop's party reject Smith terms

From Frederick Cleary
Salisbury, Feb 12.

The congress of Bishop Muzorewa's United African National Council today overwhelmingly rejected the proposal for 28 seats in a future Rhodesian parliament to be allocated to a separate white voting roll.

Bishop Muzorewa has been the sole leader at the internal settlement talks here to object to the proposal. The almost total support of his congress means that no internal settlemen agreement will be signed tomorrow, as had been hoped.

About 360 delegates from all over the country who attended the congress gave the bishop a mandate to maintain his present position to offer only 20 white seats in the 100-seat parliament on a separate voting roll and eight white seats elected on a common roll.

Mr Ian Smith, the Rhodesian Prime Minister, and the other two African nationalist groups at the internal talks—the Rev Ndabaningi Sithole's African National Council, and the Zimbabwe United Peoples Organization (Zuppo)—have already agreed to a 28-seat formula.

The bishop dashed hopes of an early settlement when he told a news conference that nothing firm could be expected from the talks before the issue of a national post-independence defence force had been resolved.

He said the question of the composition of the defence forces, when a black government came to power, was even more crucial and difficult than that of the white parliamentary seats, which has already delayed progress for several weeks. There was complete disagreement at the talks on the future composition of the armed forces, he added.

Apparently only two of the 360 delegates at today's meeting failed to ratify the majority stand on white seating. It is known that one of the senior members in the party, Mr James Chikerema, had been one who had pressed for acceptance of the 28-seat proposal.

The bishop said the congress had almost unanimously approved four resolutions regarding the present negotiations. These were that the meeting: affirmed its full and unreserved confidence in the bishop and his negotiating team; gave them a fresh mandate to continue the search for a solution; endorsed and supported the stand taken by the negotiators; and reasserted that the UANC was not necessarily bound by the decisions of any one or more of the other delegations.

Namibia chances fade with Botha outburst

From Michael Leapman
New York, Feb 12

The prospects for a negotiated independence for Namibia (South-West Africa) receded today when Mr R. F. Botha, the South African Foreign Minister, made an early departure from talks with the foreign ministers of five Western countries.

Although he and the five insisted that he had not broken off the talks, he gave an emotional interview on television today at which he indicated that there was little chance of agreement being reached.

"There are aspects of these proposals", he said "that would be so totally unacceptable and so dangerous that there is a serious and real danger of the people in the territory being overrun and being governed by a Marxist terrorist organization."

He added: "I have not said that there is no hope left but it is a very serious situation."

The chief sticking point in the talks is in the part of the Western plan which deals with the period prior to elections being held. The plan envisages that only 1,500 of the present 20,000 South African troops would be allowed to stay in Namibia and that they would be restricted to a small area.

They would be succeeded by United Nations troops who would have the main responsibility for security. The South Africans are prepared to accept a United Nations military presence but only in the form of observers.

They argue that they would be overly committed to the South-West Africa People's Organization (Swapo) which the United Nations recognizes as the legitimate black political group.

There is also disagreement about the powers of the proposed United Nations special representative, vis-à-vis the South African administrator, and about the status of Walvis Bay, the territory's only deep-water port. The South Africans want to keep sovereignty over the port.

Mr Botha will now go home for consultations. There must be a danger that the South Africans, feeling that they have made enough concessions, will go ahead and organize elections in Namibia this year under their own jurisdiction.

The five foreign ministers had come here to advance the initiative begun last year at the behest of the Security Council. Dr Owen represented Britain and the other ministers were from France, the United States, Canada and West Germany.

As for Mr Botha, he became more emotional as his television interview progressed, and at the end of it he railed against what he sees as the unfair international treatment of South Africa.

"My Government is not prepared to buy international friendship and international recognition at the price of destruction", he declared.

Reporting on South Africa habitually took things out of context, he maintained, and he urged Americans to be objective. "Moderate your views" he said.

At a later press conference Mr Botha said he was leaving New York "profoundly disappointed".

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The central committee of the Somali Revolutionary Socialist Party stated after a meeting in Mogadishu that it had become clear that the Soviet Union, Cuba and other states had been giving increasing military aid to Ethiopia. They had assumed full operational control and planning of the war, a Mogadishu radio broadcast said.

"The Somali Government strongly condemns the Soviet Union's intervention in the internal affairs of Africa, endangering the existence of the Somali Democratic Republic", it said.

Somalia was surprised that the Western powers had taken no action to stop the aggressive acts of the Soviet Union and the other communist powers. In view of this, Somalia was compelled to defend itself and intensify its aid to the "freedom fighters", by sending in units of the regular Somali armed forces.

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Ceasefire holds in Beirut as inquiry starts

Beirut, Feb 12.—A general ceasefire was holding for the second consecutive day today as a special Syrian-Lebanese commission began questioning officers about last week's clashes between Syrian soldiers and Lebanese Army recruits.

The first officer to be heard was Colonel Antoine Baraket, commander of the Lebanese Army barracks at Fayadieh, where what has been described as a personal dispute between Syrians and Lebanese triggered four days of bloody clashes in which an estimated 150 people, mostly Syrians, died.—Agence France-Presse.

David Watts writes from Damascus: Mr Khaddam returned to Damascus this afternoon to report to President Assad on the latest efforts to cool the situation in Lebanon. Colonel Barakat, who has strong right-wing loyalties, was allowed to hold his command in the new Lebanese Army against the Syrians' better judgment, according to Syrian sources, and they seek his removal.

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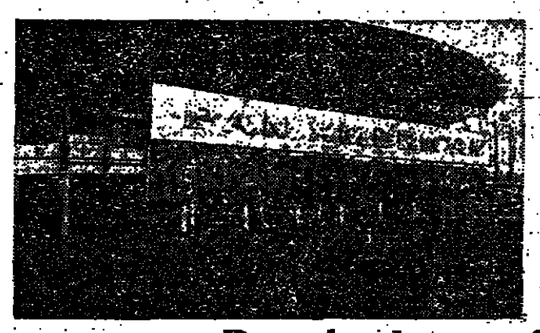
Our Foreign Staff write: In talks with President Giscard d'Estaing at the Elysée Palace in Paris this evening, President Sadat also discussed the fighting in the Horn of Africa. The French Government while backing the Sadat initiative, nevertheless insists that any settlement in the Middle East must be global. At some stage or other the Soviet Union must be brought in.

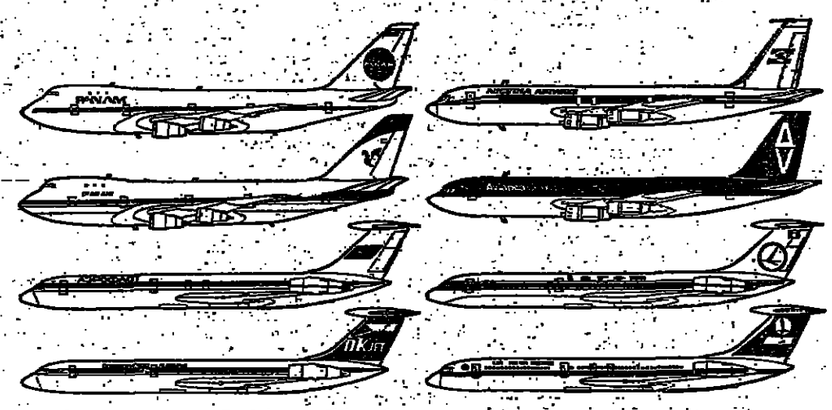
Before flying to Paris, Mr Sadat had three hours discussion in Bucharest with President Ceausescu, seeking Romania's active support. Mr Ceausescu, the only communist head of state to maintain relations with Israel, was believed to have played a backstage role

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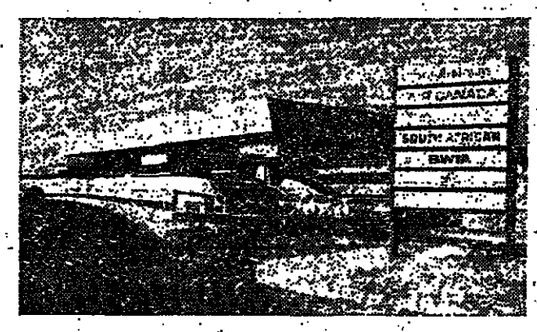
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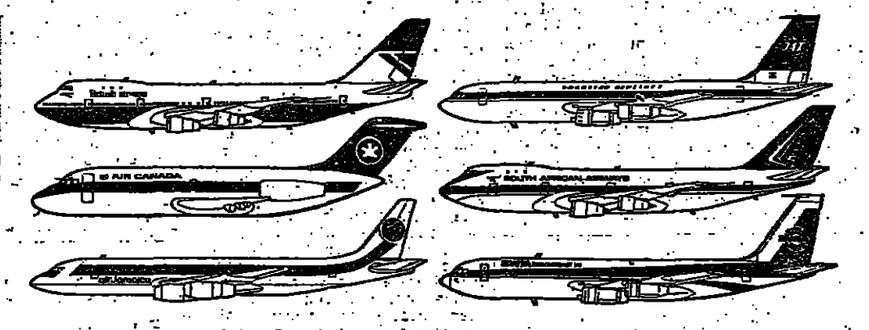
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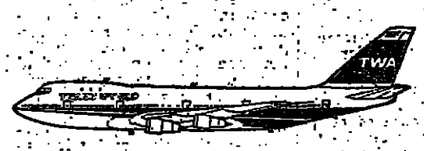
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Moscow warns Congress hawks urging Mr Carter to ease Salt restrictions on cruise missile

From Michael Binyon
Moscow, Feb 12

The Russians are deeply worried that the United States Congress, encouraged by hawkish public opinion, will reject the terms of the new strategic arms limitation treaty (Salt) now being negotiated by the Carter Administration.

A rare full-page editorial in *Pravda* this weekend says American public opinion should realize that those trying to frustrate or drag out the conclusion of a treaty "are leading matters to a new spiralling in the race for the most dangerous means of warfare".

The *Pravda* article gives clear and authoritative warning to Congress that the Soviet Union will not agree to any American stiffening of the terms of a new agreement, and will make no concessions on Nato deployment of the cruise missile, the modernization of existing Soviet systems or the development of the Soviet "Backfire" bomber.

"Those Americans who try to make the public think that it is possible to impose unacceptable terms of the agreement on the Soviet Union are doing their own people a great disservice. The agreement is needed equally by both sides, just as it is needed by all countries and peoples."

The article is remarkable for the detail it gives to Soviet readers of negotiations, which have hardly been mentioned here for some months, and for the aggressive tone in which the Soviet position is elaborated. The Russians are clearly tired of being placed on the defensive by the constant leaks in Washington, and have decided it is time to respond in kind.

Pravda believes the negotiations are being jeopardized by a campaign in America conducted by retired military "specialists-theoreticians", certain organs of the press that are direct advocates of the Pentagon, and the military-industrial complex.

The article credits the Carter Administration for having at last reached a realistic and sober negotiating position, but attacks what it calls the opponents of détente, who "stubbornly strive to make this question a topic of sharp internal political struggle in the United States.

It emphasizes that these people are acting against the vital interests of their own country, whatever they say to the contrary.

"The historic course of development has long made untenable the aim of ensuring a military superiority for the United States over the Soviet Union." There was no future in attempts to revive plans to achieve such superiority.

The article dismisses the "threadbare myth" of Soviet military superiority, and calls talk of Russian aims to be able to deliver a crippling nuclear strike false and absurd concoctions, deliberately provocative in intent.

On the specific points of negotiation, the article is sharpest on the vexed question of the Cruise missile, the low-flying pilotless missile whose deployment the Soviet negotiators want to ban beyond the present agreed range of 600 kilometres (about 370 miles) or in any territory outside the United States.

The American argument that the United States should have the right to deploy air-to-ground cruise missiles on any type of aircraft, including transports, would allow an unlimited number of aircraft to be "stuffed" with long-range cruise missiles having the same destructive power as nuclear warheads of intercontinental missiles and submarine-borne missiles.

This would annul the limitations contained in the Salt treaty. "The Soviet Union is not going to affix its signature to such a scrap of paper", *Pravda* says.

It ridicules the suggestion that the Russians have developed means to destroy American observation satellites, and refers to the "propaganda outcry" over the Backfire bomber.

"It is time to understand that nobody will succeed in imposing unacceptable conditions on the Soviet side, be it over the Backfire bomber or any other question."

It was no use the Senate hinting it would not ratify a Salt agreement without amendments in America's favour. "To bully the Soviet side by a refusal to ratify the agreement is just pointless for we too could pose the question in exactly the same manner."

The American proposal to ban for three years all types of new land-based intercontinental ballistic missiles, with or without multiple warheads, was naive; it gave the Americans unilateral advantage because submarine-launched missiles, an area of American superiority, would not be included.

In general, the article suggests the Russians are nervous about the probable outcome of the present negotiations. As in earlier pronouncements on Salt, there is no reference to the American human rights campaign, which may be important in determining how American senators ratify any new agreement.



The shattered tail of the Pacific Western Airlines Boeing 737 lies in the snow with other debris.

Tail passenger escapes crash in which 40 die

Cranbrook, British Columbia, Feb 12.—Mr David White, aged 19, walked away virtually unscathed from the wreckage of a Boeing 737 airliner after a crash here yesterday in which 40 of the 47 people on board died.

He told reporters: "I was sitting at the very back of the plane, as far back as I could have got. The plane went up and it banked really high. And then it just plummeted, bang. It hit the ground just like that."

With a stewardess he managed to open an emergency exit door and get out but he heard a little girl crying. "I went back for her and she was just sitting there in her seat. There was nothing left of the plane. Just her seat was there and she was by her mother, but her mother was dead."

Mr White was treated at hospital for sore stomach muscles caused by pressure from his seatbelt.

Some who escaped were badly burnt. The twin-engine jet, trying to land in a snowstorm, overshot the runway and crashed into a snowbank. It exploded.

In Richland, Washington, all 17 people on a Beechcraft commuter airliner died in a crash at takeoff.—Reuter.

World pressure to free Tunisian union chief

By Michael Coleman

Increasing concern over the fate of the jailed Tunisian trade union leaders is reflected in the decision by the International Confederation of Free Trade Unions to send three senior officials to Tunis next weekend to plead for their release.

There is growing suspicion that the arrest of Mr Habib Achour, general secretary of the General Union of Tunisian Workers (UGTT) is more connected with the conflict over the Bourguiba succession than with the rioting during the general strike on January 26.

Mr Achour is a vice-president of the ICFTU and the attitude at the confederation's Brussels headquarters is that in calling the strike he was exercising the right vigorously upheld by the confederation for its member unions in 80 countries.

The three men going to Tunis are Herr Heinz Oskar Vetter, president of the West German union federation, M André Bergeron, secretary-general of Force Ouvriére of France, and Mr Otto Kersten, Secretary-general of the ICFTU. They hope to meet Mr Hédi Nouira, the Prime Minister, and will insist on seeing Mr Achour despite an earlier refusal by Mr Nouira to permit this.

They are also anxious to meet the families of the detained unionists. Confusing figures have been given both about the number held and those killed when troops and police opened fire. The official death toll is 47 but recent estimates from impartial sources are closer to 200.

The return of Mr Kersten to Tunis is of particular interest since it was his support for the strike call, officially expressed, which infuriated Mr Nouira and led to columns of condemnation in the state-controlled press. A point made by Mr Kersten was that the Tunisian media was blatantly misrepresenting the UGTT's reason for calling the strike.

Mr Achour and his colleagues were branded as saboteurs intent on turning Tunisia into another Lebanon, a charge which is now regarded as a gross calumny itself designed to persuade the population to accept the Army's intervention, the union leaders' arrests, the removal of Mr Achour, a man with great charisma, from the political scene, and the imposition of a totalitarian regime.

Tunis, Feb 12.—Thanking the security forces for "damming the pernicious tide" on January 26, President Bourguiba yesterday said the riots were planned by people who wanted to destroy the regime.

Head of all Africa church group barred by Kenya

From Our Correspondent
Nairobi, Feb 12

A conflict between the All Africa Conference of Churches (AACC), which is based in Nairobi, and the Kenya Government has come to a head with a statement by Mr Charles Njonjo, the Attorney-General, saying that Canon Burgess Carr, general secretary of the AACC, will not be allowed to return to Kenya.

Canon Carr, a Liberian Anglican, has been in Lomé, Togo, for a meeting of the AACC general committee. The meeting would normally have been held in Nairobi, but for the tense situation existing between the Kenyan authorities and the AACC.

The problems have been developing for months, and Mr Mjonjo recently criticized the AACC for its political involvement in Africa. He was also critical of the personal conduct of Canon Carr in Kenya.

It has been reported here that the Kenya Government has been concerned by the deep involvement of the AACC in political affairs in Africa, and that its activities in this field have sometimes threatened Kenya's friendship with western states such as Britain and the United States.

The AACC groups more than 100 Protestant churches in Africa. It has been frequently critical of western states for their support of the South African and Rhodesian regimes, and has emphasized the responsibility of the churches to support the liberation struggle.

There have also been reports, usually denied at AACC headquarters, that some senior members of its staff have been forced to resign. The deputy secretary-general, Mrs Jael Mbogo, who is a Kenyan, has now resigned with effect from next June.

Canon Carr tendered his resignation to the AACC general committee in Lomé last week, because of the controversy surrounding the organization here, but the committee declined to accept it. Instead Canon Carr was granted a year's sabbatical, and it was announced here today that he would become a visiting professor at Harvard University in the United States.

In an address to the committee in Lomé last week, Canon Carr said it was becoming steadily more difficult to work in Kenya, which was growing "more and more isolated from everything around it".

There was a feling, he said, that Kenya was living in conditions similar to those experienced in Ethiopia in the last days of the empire before the recent revolution.

Air drop of 1,300 Soviet troops takes 20 minutes

From Our Own Correspondent
Moscow, Feb 12

Western military observers returned this weekend to Moscow and to their home bases impressed by what they had seen of the Soviet manoeuvres in Byelorussia last week, though overwhelming hospitality and close escort allowed them little time for independent observation.

Code-named Berezina, the manoeuvres were a classic exposition of Soviet tactics and training. They included several set-piece battles, a large air drop, a demonstration of anti-tank helicopter support and a spectacular final engagement with plenty of pyrotechnics.

Unlike observers of Western manoeuvres who are generally given a map, a Land-Rover and driver and are free to roam about, the foreign observers in Byelorussia were kept together and invited to watch from a stand, together with Soviet journalists and the political hierarchy from Minsk.

The first main attack was in flat open country in a foot of snow. Troops, who appeared to Western observers to be very fit, were brought up in armoured personnel carriers and then ran flatout for about a mile. The attack was supported by MiG21 aircraft and T55 and T72 tanks. There was no tactical formation of the aircraft or use of live ammunition however. As in most manoeuvres there was little free movement, and the results were probably rehearsed.

The air drop on the third day of the exercise differed in several ways from a drop by Nato forces. The Russians jumped from jets flying high and fast. Jumping from aircraft flying at 140 knots at about 2,400ft, Soviet paratroops do not have a single parachute pulled open by a cord, but a small chute which later opens a larger one.

Dropping from this height took about two and a half minutes, and as they descended they fired airborne versions of the Kalashnikov rifle at the ground (presumably using blanks). The drop was impressive in its discipline—1,300 men and 27 vehicles were landed in a zone of one kilometre by three in 20 minutes.

Though the drop was in poor weather, as it was snowing, there were no visible foul-ups, and the men were clear of the zone in 50 minutes.

On one day the observers watched a display of live artillery fire from a bunker. The British and Swiss requested—and were allowed—to visit a battery position of BM21 rocket launchers and spoke to the soldiers. A request to look through their sights, however, was quickly rejected by the escorting Soviet officers.

The Russians made a clear effort to impress their visitors by lavish hospitality, efficiency of organization, sightseeing tours of Minsk, a military concert and general cordiality.

Indeed, the observers, who would have preferred to spend the night out in the field, were wined and dined every evening at a Minsk hotel, and were consequently able to gain only a sketchy idea of the overall pattern of the exercise. They did not see where the Soviet troops slept, though they were told that the troops slept in their vehicles.

The Russians did not allow inspection of any new equipment, though they allowed one of the American observers to drive a tank, which he promptly stalled.

One man who appeared to impress Western observers was Colonel-General Mikhail Zaitsev, commander-in-chief of the Byelorussian military district and overall commander of the exercise. At 54 he is young for such a high post. He might well be called to higher things in Moscow soon.

Church ready to help moral drive in Poland

Warsaw, Feb 12.—Cardinal Wyszynski, the Polish Primate said today that the Church could better help the Government's public morality crusade if it had more access to the news media.

He said in a Lenten address read out in the churches: "By acquiring a wider sphere of freedom for preaching the Gospel, having greater possibilities for action with the help of the public media, especially the press, Catholic publications and the right to develop apostolic associations—the church can more effectively remind Catholics of their responsibility."

The Government, facing serious economic problems, is increasingly appealing to people to work harder, drink less and behave less selfishly.

The Government would like the church to lend support to this campaign and Cardinal Wyszynski, hopeful of more religious freedom in return, has given conditional assent.

He said in his address that bad habits had been formed during Poland's history of wars and foreign occupation.

It was necessary to give up the idea that there was no link between economic life and Christian morality. He reiterated, however, that "the church claims no rights to ruling the material order on this earth, nor does it want authority over the economy."

In Cracow today the police beat and briefly detained Mr Adam Michnik, a dissident historian. Last night the police had used tear gas to prevent him giving a lecture criticizing communist rule, the dissident Public Self-Defence Committee said today.

A spokesman for the group said that the police arrested Mr Michnik when he tried to leave for Warsaw this morning. Eyewitnesses said that uniformed and plainclothes policemen beat him, tearing his clothes, and dragged him into a police van. He was later released.

Mr Michnik came to Cracow to give a lecture on 30 years of communist rule. It was scheduled for Friday, but was postponed when the police detained him on his arrival.

About 100 students gathered last night in a flat to hear Mr Michnik speak. When he began, two municipal officers entered the flat and tried to interrupt the lecture, saying that it was illegal.

The spokesman said that Mr Michnik refused to stop and the officers summoned policemen who broke into the flat amid chants of "Gestapo" from the students.

Tear gas and threats of force made the students leave the flat. They surrounded Mr Michnik to prevent his arrest and took him to another flat for the night.—Reuter.

Academic held for links with militants

Jakarta, Feb 12.—The Indonesian Government has arrested Dr Arief Rachman, assistant to the rector of the Jakarta Institute of Science, accusing him of links with student activists.

In Bandung, West Java, tension is mounting as the military occupation of the Bandung Institute of Technology entered its fourth day today.

There was an all-night power failure in that part of the city. The state power company blamed it on "disturbances at our main power lines". But dissident student sources said that the failure might have been effected by the military

People of Sinkiang told of surprise attack danger

Peking, Feb 12.—The authorities have warned the people of the frontier province of Sinkiang of the danger of a surprise attack from the Soviet Union, it was learnt here today.

"If the Soviet revisionists should dare to attack, they will be firmly, thoroughly, completely and totally annihilated". Mr Wang Feng, the new leader of the Sinkiang Revolutionary Committee, said.

He called for vigilance and strict precautions to guard against the Soviet Union, which he described as "the main danger" to Sinkiang.

Mr Wang, who is close to Mr Teng Hsiao-ping, the Deputy Prime Minister of China, recently took over the province's leadership from Mr Saifudin, an Uighur. He also replaced Mr Saifudin as First Secretary of the Communist Party Committee and political commissar of the Sinkiang military region.

At the fifth People's Congress of the region, held in the province's capital, Urumchi, from January 30 to February 3, Mr Wang also attacked "the crimes of the gang of four" who had "sabotaged" the unity between the Han Chinese and the national minorities. Mr Wang is a Han Chinese.—Agence France-Presse.

Prisoners of conscience



Taiwan: Huang Hua

By Clifford Longley

The continuing "rebellion" of the Chinese Communist Party on the mainland, and the alleged state of war between China and Taiwan, have long been no more than convenient fictions to enable the suppression of almost every form or degree of political opposition in Taiwan.

The country is still governed under "state of siege" laws enacted by the Chinese Nationalist Government in 1934, and active dissent is classed as rebellion.

Estimates of the number of "rebels" detained in Taiwan range from 400 to 8,000, and this is thought to include a hard core who were brought with the fleeing Kuomintang forces in 1948, having been arrested on the mainland. Information about political detainees is sparse.

Mr Huang Hua, a writer in his 40s, is now serving a 10-year prison sentence imposed in 1976 for seditious activities, only a year after his release from an earlier sentence under an amnesty.

The seditious activities of which he was accused at his secret military trial concerned articles he had contributed to the *Taiwan Political Review*. This was banned at the end of 1975.

He was said to have used the periodical to "propagate rebellious thoughts". He was also accused of having attempted to instigate armed rebellion after the periodical had been suppressed, but there appears to be no known evidence that Mr Hua has ever engaged in violent activities.

His previous sentence, imposed in 1967, had been for seditious activities connected with the Society for Promoting Unity of Taiwanese Youth.

Others arrested on charges associated with this group, brought to trial in 1969, were accused among other things of engaging in wild talk in a restaurant.

'Reeducated' southerners take their place in public life

Hanoi reprieves defeated intelligentsia

From Jean Thoraval

Hanoi, Feb 12—Ground stewardesses from South Vietnam in traditional dress now welcome incoming passengers in English and French at the new Hanoi international airport. They typify the return to public life in a reunited Vietnam of many South Vietnamese in all walks of life, some after three years in special reeducation camps.

Many families in the north with relatives in the south are learning that their nephews, or brothers, or brothers-in-law who once held important jobs in the Saigon Government, are back at work again.

The news appears to coincide with the three-year deadline that the revolutionary authorities gave themselves to rehabilitate some 300,000 former supporters of the Thieu regime, including 40,000 officers and technicians.

In June 1976, thousands of minor officials and rank-and-file members of the armed forces were restored to their civic rights. Now, however, members of the south Vietnamese intelligentsia, kept at arm's length after the fall of Saigon in April 1975, are back at work.

More than 300 former army doctors, according to reliable medical sources, are practising in towns and new economic zones.

Former managers and foremen have taken over their old jobs in the now nationalized factories. Even in the north some southerners, such as the stewardesses, have begun to make an appearance. More are expected, although essential businesses, such as banks, are still being temporarily run exclusively by northerners.

But it is in south Vietnam itself that there is the greatest need for trained scientists, technicians and managers. Pragmatic Hanoi leaders are anxious to return many of them to their former jobs.

But there is opposition. "When you've settled into a nice job, you don't like someone else, maybe more efficient than you, coming along and pushing you out", explained one senior official bluntly.

Managers in the south were "far too few", Mr To Huu, a Politburo member, said at a meeting on agricultural problems held last month in Saigon.

He did not state explicitly whether the authorities would call in former Thieu regime officials. The north, he said, would supply extra reinforcements, but, he added, "the south must find its own managers".—Agence France-Presse.

Karachi outcry at murder of kidnapped girl

From Our Correspondent
Islamabad, Feb 12

The death of a girl of eight led to public demonstrations, the closing of businesses, and a few cases of attempted arson in Karachi today. The girl, Tarranum Aziz, was found dead inside a sack on Friday after being assaulted by her kidnappers who reportedly demanded a ransom of 125,000 rupees (£6,580).

The girl was said to have been seized outside her school on February 4 by people travelling in a car. Her father, who is manager of a cigaraette manufacturing company, received a telephone call demanding the ransom. He reported to the police who turned up at the appointed site with the ransom money but no one came to collect it.

The girl was found strangled near an orphanage.

The incident has caused a public outcry alleging inaction by the police. Students and cigarette dealers today led public demonstrations in Karachi and a general strike was called in the city for tomorrow. There were also incidents of stoning of public transport and attempts to burn buses and an hotel.

Sixth Stroessner term as president certain

Asuncion, Feb 12.—Paraguayans today began voting in presidential and legislative elections which are certain to see President Alfredo Stroessner re-elected for a sixth term.

The President, aged 65, an avowed anti-communist, came to power in a bloodless coup in 1954. His Colorado Party held a two-thirds majority in the two-chamber National Congress and was expected to maintain its superiority.

After visiting a polling station at 8 am, he said: "I have deposited my vote now, confident that my Colorado Party will emerge triumphant for the happiness of the nation."

The opposition to General Stroessner and his party has been weakened by authoritarian measures and a permanent state of siege.

Launch capsizes: Rescuers pulled 20 bodies from the Paraguay river, after 60 people disappeared when a passenger launch capsized during a storm near Puerto Kennedy, 240 miles north of Asuncion. Many of the passengers were heading for their home towns to vote in the elections.—Reuter.

Indians in US treaty march

Sacramento, California, Feb 12.—Twenty American Indians left here yesterday on a six-month march to Washington to ask President Carter to abandon pending legislation making all the old treaties with Indian tribes null and void.

The marchers hope that 200 to 300 other Indians would join them on their 3,000-mile route. A spokesman for the group said: "We are carrying the sacred pipe and will fulfil the sacred mission. We will suffer along the way, but the Indian people are used to suffering.—Agence France-Presse.

Vietnam and Laos to reopen their air space to traffic

From Neil Kelly
Bangkok, Feb 12

Vietnam and Laos will reopen their air space, closed since the final stage of the Vietnam war in April, 1975, to international traffic on March 23.

American, South Korean and Taiwanese airliners will not be granted overflight rights unless in the meantime they negotiate agreements with Vietnam and Laos. The two communist governments have said they are willing to negotiate through the Thai Government. South Korea and Taiwan do not have diplomatic relations with either country and there are no diplomatic ties between America and Vietnam.

Reopening of the Amber One route—across north-eastern Thailand, the Laotian panhandle and over the Vietnamese coastal town of Da Nang—will reduce flying time between Bangkok and Hongkong by 90 minutes. Da Nang's former American air base will be developed as an international airport.

Thailand will begin commercial flights to Hanoi late next month and Vietnam from Ho Chi Minh City (Saigon) to Bangkok in May.

Thai communist insurgents and Cambodian soldiers have launched a new coordinated offensive on Thai villages along the border with Cambodia. These new attacks, which have become more frequent in recent weeks, now extend along the full length of the border.

Most past attacks involving Thai rebels and Cambodian soldiers operating together have occurred in the central and southern border regions.

In the latest incident on February 10, 300 men launched an attack near the Thai-Laotian-Cambodian border junction. In a battle lasting nine hours they took control of the village of Pae-Oom, in the Nam Yuen district of Ubon Ratchathani province.

Thai security forces forced them back across the border but not before the invaders had taken 350 men, women and children from the village as hostages with various property. They also drove off 50 buffaloes. Later 90 of the hostages escaped.

The Thais claim to have killed or wounded 40 of the invaders for the loss of five of their own men. The incident is a blow to Thailand's hopes of seeing an end to border attacks, which have claimed at least 200 Thai lives in the past year.

CINEMAS

CAMDEN PLAZA, opp. Camden Tube. 485 2443. Jamais [illegible] PARADISE (A). Grand Prize C[illegible] Wed. Last Ends 13 Feb. 1.30, 4.35, 8.30.

COLUMBIA, Shaftesbury Ave. 5[illegible] GOUVEIA EMMANU[illegible] (A). French film. Laguiss[illegible] times; Cont. progs. 1.20 (not S[illegible] 3.20, 5.30, 8.10.

CURZON, Curzon St., W.1. 499[illegible] MAYUN (AA). AFFAIRS [illegible] (English sub titles). A Spa[illegible] New French Comedy. Directed [illegible] by Yves Robert "—S[illegible] Express. Progs. at 2.0 (not S[illegible] 4.00, 6.10, 8.20.

DOMINION, Tott. Ct. Rd. (580 [illegible] STAR WARS (U). Sep. progs. [illegible] 5.15, 8.30. Seats [illegible] 5.15 & 8.55 progs. Wks. & [illegible] Sat. & Sun. SEATS AVAILABLE FOR MANY P[illegible] HURRY!

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ODEON MARBLE ARCH (723 20[illegible] AUDREY ROSE (AA). Sep. [illegible] wks. 2.30, 5.30, 8.30.

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PARIS PULLMAN, Sth. Ken. 373 [illegible] Allman & THREE WOMEN Progs. 4.05, 6.05, 8.25.

PHOENIX, E. Finchley. 883 [illegible] Artificer's ROCKY (A). St Sylvester Stallone. Must end Feb. Progs. 4.05, 6.00, 8.30.

PLAZA, 437 1234. Seats bo[illegible] (Plaza 1 & 2 only) for last perf. Mon.-Fri. and all perfs & Sun. (except late night show the box office (11 a.m.-7 Mon.-Sat.) or by post.

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3. THE LAST REMAKE OF BEAU GESTE (A). Progs. daily 1.4[illegible] Suns. 5.40, 9.30.

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George Harrison's CONCERT FOR BANGLADESH

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REDFERN GALLERY, ADRIAN HE[illegible] New Paintings and Gouaches, [illegible] January-22nd February. 20 [illegible] Street, London, W.1. Mon.-[illegible] 10-5.30, Sats. 10-1.

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THE ARTS

Return of the neglected Bride

The Bartered Bride
Glasgow Theatre Royal



Felicity Lott and Allen Cathcart

William Mann

How strange, and regrettable, that a generation of British operagoers has grown up without being able to see Smetana's most famous and delightful opera, *The Bartered Bride*. Formerly it was a repertory favourite at Covent Garden, Sadler's Wells, and with the Welsh National Opera; musician friends at this performance assured me that it has not been given by those companies since they left school (though it was brought to Edinburgh Festival by the Prague National Opera a few years back).

Scottish Opera has now taken *The Bartered Bride* into its repertory and made amends for that neglect by giving it a robustly handsome production, the work of Sue Blane (scenery) Maria Bjornson (costumes) and David Pountney (producer)—the team which gave Wexford its unforgettable *Katya Kabanova* some years ago.

The unit setting shows a raked circular platform approached from behind and above by a *curling ramp*, the whole shaped like an inverted figure six. It is the focal point of the village festivities, drinking, dancing, matchmaking, eventually the travelling circus. Behind it are fields of golden corn and darkly glowing mountains. The second act is located outside the village inn by the addition of a sprawling tree, another set of steps, and a king size game of the skittles which we call "Devil among the Tailors".

The plainness of the scenery sets off the bright array of smart, colourful peasant costumes, and allows a surprising amount of space for the rustic dances, vigorously and enjoyably choreographed by Peter Darrell and danced with immense verve—mostly, I understand, by members of the chorus.

Mr Pountney provides a wealth of supporting incident, in detail or character, during the choruses: for example, a cyclist, a vendor of live fowls, a test-your-strength machine, a tinker and his amorous lady, as well as assorted drunks and ladykillers, all in the first scene. The last act is dominated by the circus, a proper circus with juggler, clowns, dancers and a tightrope walker, a weightlifter, and of course the amazing dancing bear. They are real circus artists and they perform, most expertly, twice before our eyes, once in their *Skočná* and again after the opera is officially over.

The sideshows are put out of sight whenever it is time for the meat of the drama to proceed, and for the principal characters to make their presences felt. Scottish Opera has a readymade marriage-broker in William McCue, *fruity* of voice, swaggering of gait, adept in pattersongs; he tends his very high and very low notes somewhat cautiously, but his is still a virtuoso interpretation.

The part of Vasek, the shy, stammering younger brother, might also have been tailor-made for Alexander Oliver who not only looks hilarious as the Czech equivalent of Pickwick's Fat Boy, but sings the music with unaffected and elegant *bel canto*. His duet with Marenka was a highlight of the evening, for she was Felicity Lott singing just as beautifully as one had hoped, looking lovely, and making a vital personality of the cruelly tricked heroine, tender, quickly moved to tears, but also headstrong and temperamental.

The round of applause after her third act aria was deserved. Allen Cathcart makes a *handsome*, introspective yet ardent Jenik, though the music does not comfortably fit his voice. It is not a cast of large voices; Roderick Brydon conducting the Scottish Philharmonia keeps his players tactfully down, while emphasizing the buoyant dance rhythms of the score. For once in the Theatre Royal the orchestral tone sounded undernourished, wanting in sensuous euphony. The opera is given with some recitatives, not spoken dialogue, and in a new English translation, by the producer and Leonard Hancock intelligible and singable though without the facilities of the version familiar 20 years or so ago.

ECO/Negri
Queen Elizabeth Hall

Stanley Sadie

The Italian conductor Vittorio Negri, familiar here through his records of baroque music, has behind him several years at Salzburg. So it made sense to choose for his South Bank debut a programme chiefly of Vivaldi and Mozart.

To those he added a Respighi item, one of the suites of ancient airs and dances; and this he shaped with particular sensitivity and affection, treating it for what it is: music of the 1930s, not the 1600s. Whether ideas conceived in terms of a reticent lute, playing to an audience of approximately one, fit a string orchestra in a concert hall seems beside the point as one listens to Respighi's recreations of an idealized antique past; the score artfully laid out, faintly nostalgic, never quite kitschy.

Of two Vivaldi concertos, Mr Negri gave direct and unaffected readings: tidy, rhythmically alive without being exaggeratedly fiery, sensible in tempo, and, in the four-violin concerto, rich in sound yet allowing textures clear enough for detail to come through. Though a Vivaldi specialist, Mr Negri accepts the predicates of a modern chamber orchestra, using modern instruments and techniques; curiously, he permits the continuo harpsichord to be banished to the rear where it can hardly fulfil its proper, central function.

The steady, sober tone that marked these performances was still more evident in Mozart's K251 divertimento. There Mr Negri and the ECO were at a disadvantage. "Divertimento" does not mean diverting music (though nor does it preclude that); it means, in the Viennese classical period, one player to a part. To play such a piece with multiple strings is to strait-jacket it expressively; the flexibility it demands is unattainable.

So the chief pleasures of this rather ordinary concert came from Jessye Norman's two Mozart arias. In "Non temer, amato bene" she brought ample, creamy tone, attractive gracing, and, where called for, dramatic fire to an unexciting aria, shining too in her vivid treatment of the prefatory recitative. Best of all, she gave a gem of a performance of "Vado, ma dove" with ringing tone, a warm sustained line and some exquisite softer shades where the music allowed them.

Ballet makes a new debut

This year's English National Opera gala will feature ballet for the first time: Anthony Dowell will perform a solo dance choreographed for the occasion by Sir Frederick Ashton. Otherwise the gala, on March 21, will present singers from the ENO, often in unfamiliar roles—such as Josephine Barstow in the sleep-walking scene from Verdi's *Macbeth*, a role she has sung abroad but not yet in Britain.

Another unusual assumption will be Rita Hunter singing "In questa reggia" from *Turandot*, in company with Tom Swift. Other operas which will be featured include *The Pearl Fishers*, Britten's *Gloriana*, and *Faust*. Sixteen of the ENO's *stalwarts* will present Vaughan Williams's rarely heard Serenade to Music; among those taking part will be Margaret Haggart, Lois McDonall, Katherine Pring, Keith Erwen and Harold Blackburn.

The gala, in aid of the ENO and Sadler's Wells Benevolent Fund, is being staged by John Copley and Stefanos Lazaridis. The drop curtain will be the one designed by Picasso for the Diaghilev ballet *Le Train Bleu*; it was originally seen at the Coliseum but has not been used since and will be specially lent by the Theatre Museum.

Martin Huckerby

Strauss operetta at Bregenz

The 1978 Bregenz Festival will feature a new production of *A Thousand and One Nights*, the operetta by Johann Strauss the Younger, with Anton de Ridder/William Reeder, Hildegard Uhrmacher/Eva Bartfai, Herbert Prikopa and Celia Jeffreys.

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Getting set for 'Annie'

Stratford Johns and Sheila Hancock will star in *Annie*, the Broadway musical which will open at the Victoria Palace Theatre on May 3. There will be eight previews from April 25, six of them in aid of charity.

Kenneth Nelson and Judith Paris also have leading parts, together with Clovissa Newcombe and Damon Sanders. There will be six children playing the title role through the first year, and two dogs are in training for the role of Sandy.

Annie, based on the cartoon strip *Little Orphan Annie*, opened on Broadway at the Alvin Theatre last April and has been playing to capacity ever since. It also swept the American Tony Awards, winning seven, including that for "Best Musical of the Year".

Was It Before Hindsight?
BBC 2

Stanley Reynolds

Before Hindsight is an independently made fim containing much unusual and new footage from the 1930s, but its chief aim was not to give a history lesson, or discover rare film clips. *Before Hindsight*, directed by Jonathan Lewis, is an essay arguing that Britain was misinformed and misled by the newsreels, particularly over the rise of Fascism. This film was presented by James Cameron and was then followed by a studio discussion chaired by Ludovic Kennedy with Lord Ritchie-Calder, Bryan Magee, Jonathan Dimbleby, Richard Francis, Sir Hugh Greene and Jo Grimond. The entire exercise, which went on from 8.40 to 10.20 on Saturday night, was called *Was It Before Hindsight?* The mystery of that title change never became clear to me. The lesson of 1930s newsreels seemed, however, quite obvious. They were all so badly done. In fact they have become a joke. The bogus voice and the grandiose music. To argue that these misled people about Nazi Germany is stating the patently obvious. These newsreels also misled people about holidays in Blackpool. The documentary style of the 1930s at its best, however, would seem in many ways more interesting than "the balanced view" which the BBC and the IBA now insist upon, hoping that somehow the truth will emerge from a discussion in which all shades of the political spectrum have been viewed.

Indeed, Saturday night's discussion group seemed a good case against the system working. I do not think the balanced discussion was distorting the news, as Mr Dimbleby seemed to think. It seemed more a way of making it sound boring. If the 1930s newsreels were silly and misled people because of this silliness, then today's television documentaries, with their balanced views, make subjects look boring and disinteresting. At one point Mr Grimond mentioned that all the people talking in the studio were the same sort of people. "We are all SW1 types", he said. I don't know exactly what that means, but it was difficult following the discussion because Mr Kennedy kept referring to people by their nicknames. That seemed a bit too chummy for the ordinary viewer. The sorry truth that seems to be hiding in Mr Cameron's excellently presented film of the 1930s was that no government will ever allow the news services it can control or influence in some way to stray too far from that government's policy. In the 1930s the British Government wanted to make peace with Hitler. Where pressure could be brought, it toned down the hideous racialism of Nazi Germany. Interesting as some of the 1930s film was, taking nearly two hours seemed a bit overlong. Or perhaps it was only that the studio discussion seemed too long because it was boring. One of the great dangers that democracy faces right now is trying to make it look a bit exciting and less boring.

John Barstow
Purcell Room

Joan Chissell

In salute to the twenty-fifth anniversary of Prokofiev's death, John Barstow devoted his piano recital on Friday night to sonatas and smaller pieces by that distinguished Russian composer-pianist, and was rewarded with a much larger audience than usually encountered at the Purcell Room.

The least familiar piece was the *Légende*, which Prokofiev himself considered the best of the ten pieces published as his Op 12 in 1914. It was certainly one of Mr Barstow's best performances. There was nothing in it to tax his technique, and he managed to suggest a halo round its simplicity. His selection from the not much later *Visions Fugitives*, Op 22 (which could be considered the young Prokofiev's reply to Chopin's 24 Preludes), was also enjoyable enough to make you wish he had played all twenty instead of only ten. Here again technical demands were light so that all Mr Barstow's thought could go to refinements of interpretation.

From the sonatas he chose the third, fourth and eighth, and in their greater complexities sometimes missed the point. The well-known No 3 went effortlessly enough even if in a slightly down-to-earth, insufficiently mercurial, English way. No 4, *though also culled from* student exercises and completed in the same early year of 1917, is much more searching.

The gem is the slow movement, which Mr Barstow (using the printed score) played with no more nostalgia or subtlety in orchestrating its rich textures than had he been sight-reading. The left hand return of the tune at the end was wholly obscured. The spirited finale needed much more clarity and sparkle.

Ending with No 8 of war years, Mr Barstow again came to grief whenever incisive definition of detail was required at speed, notably in the middle of the first movement and in the outer sections of the finale. Here, as throughout the recital, far too many dynamic gradations were ignored, especially in the softer range. But the lyrical melody of the opening movement was most expressively timed and shaped.

Verdi Requiem
Festival Hall

Barry Millington

We are less eager to condemn Verdi's *Requiem* nowadays for its theatricality, seeing it as a characteristic and sincere product of a dramatic composer's imagination. That does not mean that the work has to be pumped mercilessly for its last ounce of passion, and a successful performance is one that finds a balance somewhere between melodrama and blood and thunder on the one hand, and clarity and precision of ensemble on the other. In his interpretation with the Bach Choir and Philharmonia Orchestra in the Festival Hall last night Sir David Willcocks seemed to have such a midway point in mind, and if it was not quite the ideal performance the fault certainly did not lie with him.

The choir, sounding better drilled, better focused in tone, and more responsive than when I heard them last, backed him to the hilt. The music of the "Dies Irae", which occurs at various points, was truly fearsome every time, and that is not meant sarcastically: the atmosphere of these passages, at once thrilling and full of horror, rightly reflected the composer's own reaction to the subject. It is surely significant that Verdi, attracted and repelled simultaneously as he was by the ideas of salvation and damnation, chose to end his *Requiem* with the words "Libera me" rather than the consolatory "lux perpetua luceat eis" and Sir David procured anxious whispers here; the opening of the work too gave notice of his "theatrical" intentions with its extremely hushed broken phrases.

Had the four soloists been able to convey a similar involvement, the performance would have gained immeasurably. As it was, Teresa Cahill, Anne Collins, Kenneth Woollam and Ian Caddy each had something to offer but it did not include the undercurrent of fear that informs Verdi's setting. The soprano/mezzo duet of "Agnus Dei" was well sung even though the two voices did not blend particularly happily, but whenever urgency was required, as in the moving pleas of the final movement, there was none in evidence.

THE MONDAY BOOK

The play doctor

George S. Kaufman and the Algonquin Round Table
Scott Meredith
(Allen & Unwin £6.95)

One of the many curious things about George S. Kaufman is that there has never been a way of translating him into English: certain of the plays he co-authored (*The Man Who Came To Dinner, You Can't Take It With You, Dinner at Eight. The Band Wagon*) did well over here, as of course did the films based on his Marx Brothers scripts (*Animal Crackers, A Night At The Opera, The Cocoanuts*) but of the Broadway man himself there has never existed a West End counterpart.

Kaufman was a play doctor and a collaborator, two roles virtually unknown along Shaftesbury Avenue. Between 1903 (when he was 14) and his death in 1961 he worked on more than 50 plays, half a dozen revues, a *Pulitzer*-prize-winning musical (*Of Thee I Sing*) and some screenplays: he wrote with Moss Hart, Edna Ferber, Marc Connelly, Ring Lardner, John P. Marquand and Alexander Woollcott and when he wasn't hovering around their typewriters he was rescuing shows already in production: there's not much doubt, for instance, that *The Front Page* owed its initial Broadway success to his direction.

"What this play needs" Kaufman would mutter of his own shows, many of which were peculiarly disastrous, "is George S. Kaufman": he was the fixer, the plumber, the man you called in when you were in Boston on a bad Monday night with fifty unchoreographed dancers and a recalcitrant comedian and no plot. He was the man who for half a century symbolised the unique Broadway belief that a play isn't a play until you put the curtain up on it, and he was the ultimate middleman—his best work was done not on the typewriter but on the tour.

Scott Meredith's new biography, heavily condensed in the British edition from an American original which was nearly half as long again, is a painstaking reconstruction of Kaufman's career: here are all the great stories ("Watching your performance from the back of the stalls" he once wired the star of his *Of Thee I Sing*, "wish you were here") together with an an attempt to explain the massive eccentricities of his private life. By all accounts an immensely sexy, if not over-handsome man, he was married to an equally sexy if not over-handsome lady called Beatrice who refused to sleep with him for the 28 years of their otherwise very happy marriage (interestingly, he once defined play collaboration as "marriage without sex"); his private life with other ladies and second marriage to Leueen MacGrath were, however, romantic in the extreme, and the celebrated publication of Mary Astor's diaries cast him once and for all as the great lover.

Yet he couldn't bear to shake hands, was hypochondriacal to the point of lunacy, and in a profession which entailed a certain amount of Broadway-Hollywood travel remained convinced that flying meant instant death. A man capable of massive bad taste ("You should never" he said after a Spanish restaurant fire in which many were killed trying to get through a revolving door "put all your Basques in one exit") he was also capable of one-liners that were the best in the business: "this is Mr Phillips" said an ex-mistress, introducing Kaufman to her new lover, "who is in cotton". "And them that plants it" replied Kaufman, "is soon forgotten".

A founder (though inactive) editor of the *New Yorker*, Kaufman was, as Meredith's English title suggests, a member of that all-pervasive Round Table; if however recent biographies of Woollcott and Parker have left you with the feeling that a little of the Algonquin goes a very long way, mostly downhill, be not deterred; this book was originally called *Kaufman and Friends* which is a more accurate title and preserves the crucial distinction between Kaufman and the rest of the tablers. He alone was happier in a theatre.

If there is to be only one statue along Broadway (the plinth there is currently occupied by George M. Cohan who seems to have won it for patriotism rather than genius) then I believe it should be Kaufman's. His plays are not much of a monument, and few can today be revived without drastic updating, but more than any other theatrical figure he encapsulated the mixture of optimism, opportunism, bravado and talent that was Broadway at its 1930s best. A film historian might (just) be able to make the case that the Marx Brothers, though not Kaufman's actual creation, each reflected the various and conflicting sides of his nature: Harpo chasing the girls, Chico counting the money, and Groucho doing the jokes. In the end, though, the lugubriousness was all: "fine day" said his last collaborator Howard Teichmann on the morning before the first night of their last real success (*The Solid Gold Cadillac*): "it was a fine day", replied Kaufman, "when they burned Joan of Arc".

Sheridan Morley

Jolly peculiar choice

Royal Ballet
Stratford-upon-Avon

John Percival

I do not want to be a spoilsport but *La Boutique Fantasque* seems to me a peculiar choice for the Royal Ballet to be reviving now. Does anyone really believe in a story about dolls coming to life, especially in a work with minimal dance interest to help out the plot? The music is jolly, but that is no excuse; you can listen to it on records.

Leonid Massine himself has supervised rehearsals (I can think of several other works of his he might more rewardingly have turned to) and several of the small parts are exceptionally well done. David Bintley unprecedently turns the melon seller into a big role, Paul Waller is a dashing Cossack chief, Petal Miller and Brian Bertscher very funny as the disreputable poodles.

Desmond Kelly seemed, at least on this first attempt, too elegant and Marion Tait too subdued for the can-can, but they came into their own in the midnight duet, making its sentimentality almost ring true.

More interesting than most of the setpieces was the by-play of the customers, especially from the children of the Russian and American families, who deserve but do not get any credit in the programme. Actually the animated gestures of Barry Wordsworth, enthusiastically conducting, were often more interesting than the choreography.

In the evening's other première, the Sadler's Wells company's first performance of *Elite Syncopations*, the musicians move on stage, with Stephen Lade directing from the keyboard. He has to make do with one piano, lacking the second honky-tonk model which varies the texture of the ragtime music at Covent Garden, but copes manfully despite having to wear fancy dress.

Ian Spurling has slightly modified his designs but not enough to overcome their facetious fussiness. To my mind, that description applies also to Kenneth MacMillan's choreography, but humour is rare enough in ballet to explain the work's popularity and justify this touring production.

Tait and Kelly are much better suited in this, dancing the leads with suave style. Christine Aitken and Carl Myers, in the "Golden Hours" duet, have made the interesting discovery that its coy romance makes better sense and more fun if gently parodied. David Ashmole brings a jaunty toughness to the "Friday Night" solo. Vyvyan Lorrayne and Brian Bertscher tackle the tall girl, small man, duet with unexaggerated humour.

The evening began with *Concerto Barocco*, far too cramped on the Stratford stage. None of the three works did anything to show off the others; it was another of those triple bills apparently chosen only for expediency, like picking three courses at random from the menu and wondering why the meal lacked taste.

Birthday Greetings to GEORGES SIMENON who is 75 today

(Maigret in Exile & The Girl With A Squint will be published on 23rd February)

HAMISH HAMILTON

Cricket

Boycott's run rate depresses his side more than opposing bowlers

From John Woodcock
Cricket Correspondent
Wellington, Feb 12

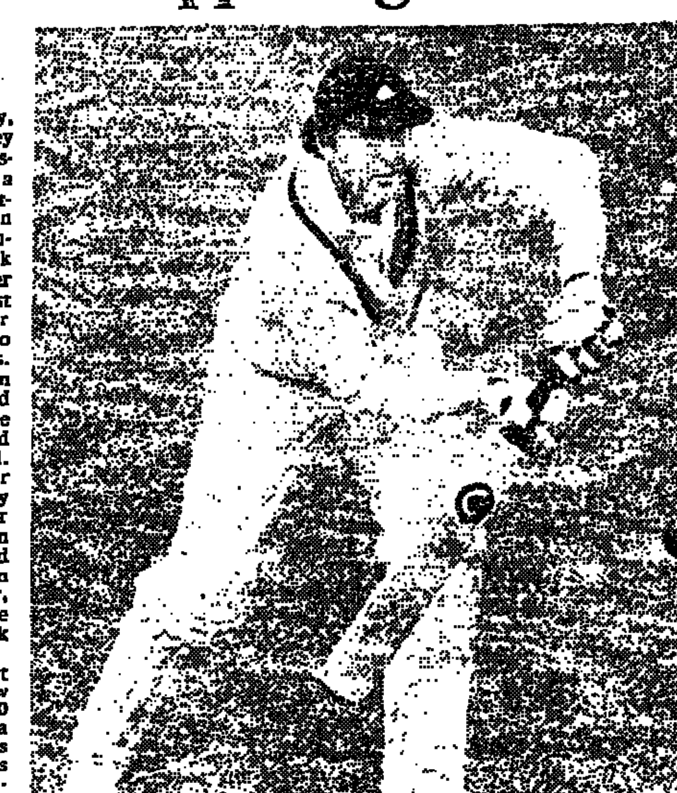
England continued here today, against New Zealand, where they left off in Karachi, against Pakistan, by *making batting look* a formidably difficult science. Starting the day at 89 for two, in reply to New Zealand's first innings total of 228, they took another five hours and a quarter to make 215 all out. In the last 35 minutes New Zealand, in their second innings, scored 12 for no wicket, 10 of these being extras.

The wind eddied round the Basin Reserve and New Zealand bowled a telling length; the ball came through at uneven heights and paces, often moving about as well. It was neither the easiest day for batting nor as difficult a day as England made it look. Their batting can seldom have been weaker than it is at present—and the captain, for all his dedication and his distinction as a player, tends, I am afraid, to aggravate the problem. Boycott's 77 took him seven hours 22 minutes.

In three and a half Test matches, in Pakistan and New Zealand, he has batted for 30 hours while making 406 runs—a rate, that is, of less than 14 runs an hour. The effect this has is to depress the other batsmen infinitely more than the opposing bowlers. Where England would be now without Boycott no one can say. They may still win what could become a close and exciting Test match. If so, the runs Boycott made yesterday and today could be seen as having decided it. Yet to score at the rate he does, never attempting an attacking stroke off anything but the rankest long hops, inspires the wrong people.

The pitch has become very dry. It bears *enough* dusty patches never to play particularly well. Although there are only two days left (tomorrow is a rest day) a result is on the cards. England certainly batted as though they thought so. Either that or they were batting to orders. Right from the start there were no strokes by which to remember the day. Taylor had scored eight in 70 minutes when he was caught and bowled, high up by Collinge: Randall, whose strength is to attack, made only four in three quarters of an hour before being brilliantly taken at second slip, low and right handed by Burgess. At lunch England were 136 for four, 37 runs having come off twenty three overs this morning.

Three times before Boycott was 40 the New Zealanders thought he was out—caught at the wicket in single figures, leg before in the teens and caught at second slip early this morning, off a glove, but New Zealand umpires are notoriously hard to satisfy. There is not much doubt that Wright was caught at the wicket off the first ball of the match or that Boycott was out at least once before eventually he was. That is the game out here, though, and it takes more than the odd alarm to stop Boycott soldering on. This afternoon, when he was struck a nasty blow by Richard Hadlee trying, of all things, to hook a bouncer, he kept going bruised and patched up but as obdurate as ever.



Geoffrey Boycott: his runs could yet prove decisive.

The new ball had been taken by then, and Roope had survived a start, in which, for the best part of an hour, he could scarcely lay the bat on the ball. For the fifth wicket he and Boycott had added 57 when Roope, who was starting to play well, was caught at the wicket off a flier from Richard Hadlee. This was a good, lively spell from the younger Hadlee, which lasted until tea.

In the third over afterwards Collinge, having replaced Hadlee, made the crowd's day when he had Boycott caught low down in the gully not quite on top of a ball he was steering in that direction. When Collinge had Rose caught at the wicket on Saturday evening, he became only the third New Zealander to take 100 Test wickets, Taylor and Motz being the others. Boycott's progress today had been 10 runs in the first hour, 12 in the second, six (including a boundary) in the third and 12 in the fourth. If the ball did some unpredictable things that is still not my idea of Test cricket as Boycott should be playing it. In the course of his innings he passed Jack Hobbs' test aggregate. Only Cowdrey, Hammond, Hutton, Barrington and Compton, among Englishmen, are above Boycott now.

Once Boycott was out the last four wickets fell for 27 runs in 65 minutes. Congdon managed to coax a couple of leg before decisions out of one of the umpires, which left him with the remarkable figures of two for 14 in 17.4 eight ball overs, bowled at the gentlest of paces, often to the most defensive of lines. Botham was caught at second slip and Old bowled by a ball that kept low. In the five overs that England had time to bowl after that, hardly a ball was straight. Having batted badly they bowled no better; but that, unlike the batting, is something we know they can remedy.

NEW ZEALAND: First Innings

R. W. Anderson, c Taylor, b Old	28
J. G. Wright, l-b-w, b Botham	55
G. P. Howarth, c Botham, b Old	13
M. G. Burgess, b Willis	9
B. E. Congdon, c Taylor, b Old	44
J. M. Parker, c Rose, b Willis	16
W. K. Lees, c Taylor, b Old	1
R. J. Hadlee, not out	27
D. R. Hadlee, c Taylor, b Old	1
R. O. Collinge, b Old	1
S. L. Boock, b Botham	4
Extras (b 12, l-b 3, w 1, n-b 13)	29
Total	228

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—42, 2—96, 3—114, 4—152, 5—191, 6—193, 7—194, 8—196, 9—208.
BOWLING: Willis, 25—6—65—2; Hendrick, 17—2—36—0; Old, 30—11—54—6; Edmonds, 3—1—7—0; Botham, 13—2—27—2.

Second Innings

J. G. Wright, not out	0
R. W. Anderson, not out	2
Extras (b 1, w 1, l-b 8)	10
Total (0 wkt)	12

BOWLING (to date): Willis, 3—1—2—0; Hendrick, 2—2—0—0.

ENGLAND: First Innings

B. C. Rose, c Lees, b Collinge	21
G. Boycott, c Congdon, b Collinge	77
G. Miller, b Boock	24
R. W. Taylor, c and b Collinge	8
D. W. Randall, c Burgess, b R. Hadlee	4
G. R. J. Roope, c Lees, b R. Hadlee	37
I. T. Botham, c Burgess, b R. Hadlee	7
C. M. Old, b R. Hadlee	10
P. H. Edmonds, l-b-w Congdon	4
M. J. Hendrick, l-b-w Congdon	0
R. G. D. Willis, not out	6
Extras (b 1, l-b 3, n-b 13)	17
Total	215

FALL OF WCKETS: 1—39, 2—89, 3—108, 4—126, 5—183, 6—188, 7—203, 8—205, 9—205.
BOWLING: R. Hadlee, 28—5—74—4; Collinge, 18—5—42—3; D. Hadlee, 21—5—47—0; Boock, 10—4—21—1; Congdon, 17.4—11—14—2.

Richards could win it single-handed

Melbourne, Feb 12.—A World XI, with eight wickets in hand, need 235 runs to win the final World Series Cricket match against an Australian XI. The World XI were dismissed for 434 in their first innings today, 104 runs behind Australia's 538 for six declared.

But fiery bowling by Garner and Imran Khan bundled the Australians out for 167 in the second innings. The Australians, in turn, hit back strongly and, at the close on the fourth day of the five-day match, the World XI were 37 for two. Lillee had Barry Richards caught by Marsh for nought, and Walker dismissed Greenidge for 19.

Vivian Richards is 18 not out and, after his first innings score of 170, could win the match single-handed. The World XI, beginning the day at 370 for eight, continued to attack, with Knott, Roberts and Daniel putting on 64 runs in 73 minutes for the last two wickets. Knott made 15, Daniel 14 and Roberts 34 not out, including two huge sixes.

In the Australians' second innings Garner and Imran struck immediately and, before lunch, took three wickets for 18. Davis, who made five, had his off stump knocked out by Garner and another two wickets fell with the score on 18. Greg Chappell was out to a fine diving catch by Knott off Garner for six and, four balls later, McCosker was bowled by Imran for five.

Hookes, dropped by Greig off Garner when he was only three, hit a swashbuckling 53 but Robinson and Bright were the only other batsmen to reach double figures as the Australian side slumped to 167 all out. Garner finished with five for 52 and Imran three for 57.

AUSTRALIAN XI: First Innings 530 for 6 dec (G. Chappell 246 not out, R. McCosker 129).

Second Innings

I. Davis, b Garner	5
R. McCosker, b Imran	5
*G. Chappell, c Knott, b Garner	6
R. Edwards, c Knott, b Garner	8
D. Hookes, c Daniel, b Garner	53
†R. Marsh, c V. Richards, b Roberts	5
R. Robinson, b Imran	26
R. Bright, b Imran	25
M. Walker, l-b-w, b Garner	9
D. Lillee, not out	8
L. Pascoe, run out	7
Extras (w 1, l-b 4, b 4, n-b 1)	10
Total	167

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—6, 2—18, 3—18, 4—34, 5—79, 6—98, 7—141, 8—152, 9—152, 10—167.
BOWLING: Imran, 12—1—57—3; Garner, 15—1—52—5; Roberts, 8—6—46—1; Greig, 1—0—3—0.

WORLD XI: First Innings

G. Greenidge, c Marsh, b Lillee	46
B. Richards, l-b-w, b Walker	76
V. Richards, l-b-w, b Bright	170
Zaheer Abbas, c Marsh, b Walker	1
Asif Iqbal, c Marsh, b Pascoe	31
*A. Greig, c Robinson, b Pascoe	0
Imran Khan, c Chappell, b Bright	5
†A. Knott, l.b.w. b Pascoe	15
J. Garner, c Marsh, b Bright	15
A. Roberts, not out	34
W. Daniel, c Marsh, b Lillee	14
Extras (b 8, l-b 10, n-b 13)	31
Total	434

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—67, 2—208, 3—210, 4—285, 5—287, 6—299, 7—348, 8—368, 9—410, 10—434.
BOWLING: Lillee, 37.1—3—141—2; Pascoe, 24—2—113—3; Walker, 15—1—51—2; Bright, 22—4—98—3.

Second Innings

G. Greenidge, c Edwards, b Walker	19
B. Richards, c Marsh, b Lillee	0
V. Richards, not out	18
A. Roberts, not out	0
Extras	0
Total (2 wkts)	37

For the record

Cricket

ADELAIDE: Victoria 366 for 7 dec and 192 (P. Melville 52; A. Sincock 4 for 54); South Australia 257 (J. Nash 65, J. Douglas 7 for 71).
BRISBANE: Western Australia 373 and 47 for 0; Queensland 343 (P. Carlson 107).
DEVONPORT, Tasmania: WSC 40-over match: Australian XI 160 (K. O'Keeffe 46, Padmore 5 for 20, Julien 3 for 38); World XI 151 for 3 (Majid Khan 76). World XI won by 7 wickets. Saturday: World XI 153 (D. Murray 41; Prior 3 for 30, Malone 2 for 19). Match abandoned (hailstorm).
PORT OF SPAIN: Shell Shield: Jamaica 171 (R. Austin 88; Nanan 5 for 54) and 340 for 7 dec (H. Chang 81, B. Williams 63, R. Austin 56, M. Foster 51); Trinidad 199 (Browne 6 for 62, Austin 4 for 46) and 45 for 1.
GEORGETOWN: Shell Shield: Guyana 275 (M. Pydanna 70, N. Phillip 5 for 59). Combined Islands 361 for 9 (N. Phillip 66 not out, L. Sebastien 57; Croft 5 for 86).
PORT ELIZABETH: Currie Cup: Western Province 361 for 9 dec (A. Lamb 66, P. Swart 55, R. Morris 44); Eastern Province 80 (Swart 5 for 17) and 93 (Le Roux 7 for 40, Swart 3 for 40). Western Province won by an innings and 189 runs.
COLOMBO: Under-19 match (40 overs): Australians 216 for 7; Colombo schools, 217 for 4.

Tennis

SPRINGFIELD: Quarter-final round: H. Solomon beat M. Riessen, 7—5, 2—6, 6—2; H. Gunthardt beat J. Kodes, 6—4, 6—3; B. Bertram beat S. Smith, 6—4, 6—4; T. Smid beat R. Lutz, 7—6, 1—6, 6—1. Semi-final round: Gunthardt beat Bertram, 7—6, 6—4, 6—4; Solomon beat Smid, 7—5, 6—1. Final: Gunthardt beat Solomon, 6—0, 3—6, 6—2.
SEATTLE: Quarter-final round: Miss M. Redondo beat Miss J. Russell, 6—3, 6—4; Miss M. Navratilova beat Miss K. May, 6—7, 6—4, 6—3. Semi-final round: Miss B. Stove beat Miss Redondo, 6—7, 6—1, 6—4.
ST LOUIS (Missouri): Semi-final round: A. Mayer beat Z. Franulovic, 6—3, 3—6, 6—0; E. Dibbs beat J. Alexander, 6—4, 7—6, 7—4.
KING'S CUP: Finland beat Denmark, 3—0 (Joensuu); Italy beat Switzerland, 2—1 (Bologna); Romania beat Portugal, 3—0 (Oporto); Poland beat Norway, 3—0 (Katowice); Sweden beat Hungary, 3—1 (Budapest) to win tournament.

Darts

NOTTINGHAM: World professional championship: Final: L. Rees (Wales) beat J. Lowe (England), 11—7. Third place: N. Virachkul (US) beat S. Lord (Sweden).

Rackets

SCHOOLS' MATCH: Marlborough (C. S. Worlidge and S. G. Lillyman) beat Eton (D. Faber and A. Kease), 15—8, 3—15, 15—9, 8—15, 16—13, 15—3.

Speedway

SYDNEY: International series: Sixth match: England beat Australia 61—47. England hold 4—2 lead.

Snooker

LONDON: Benson and Hedges final: A. Higgins beat C. Thorburn, 7—5.

Hockey

LONDON LEAGUE: Beckenham 4, Hampstead 1; Purley 0, Hounslow 2; St Albans 0, Old Kingstonians 1.
SCHOOLS RESULTS: BRNC (Dartmouth) 1, Kelly College 0; Downside 0 Taunton 2; Grenville 4, Ottervale 4; Monkton Combe 3, Prior Park 0; Repton 4, Welbeck College 1; St George's Weybridge 2, Epsom 1; Whitgift 3, Dulwich 3.
WOMEN'S MATCHES: County match: Wiltshire 1, Hampshire 4. Other matches: Barclays Bank 0, Winchmore Hill 2.

Lacrosse

SOUTH OF ENGLAND LEAGUE: First division: Buckhurst Hill 7, Kenton 4; Lee 12, London University 10.
WOMEN'S MATCHES: Territorial Reserves tournament (at Cheltenham): North 6, East 1; West 2, Combined Universities 5; Midlands 1, South 9; South 10, West 1; East 0, Midlands 4; North 1, Combined Universities 1; Midlands 3, Combined Universities 5; North 5, West 3; South 10, East 5; Midlands 2, North 2; South 5, Combined Universities 0; West 3, East 5; Combined Universities 2, East 4; South 4, North 3; West 2, Midlands 1. Final placings: 1, South; 2, North; 3, Combined Universities; 4, East; 5, Midlands; 6, West. Other match: London University 9, President's XII 3.

Badminton

BEVERWIJK: Dutch championships: Semi-final round: Men's singles: S. Pri (Denmark) beat D. Talbot (England), 15—7, 15—6; F. Delfs (Denmark) beat R. Stevens (England), 15—1, 11—15, 15—8. Final: Delfs beat Pri, 15—5, 3—15, 15—7. Women's singles: Semi-final round: W. Clarkson (Canada) beat A. Boericsson (Sweden), 11—2, 11—3; G. Gilks (England) beat J. Youngberg (Canada), 11—0, 11—7. Final: Gilks beat Clarkson, 11—3 8—11, 11—6. Men's doubles: Semi-final round: S. Pri and J. Helledie (Denmark) beat Y. Lino and M. Tsuchida (Japan), 5—15, 15—13, 15—9; R. Stevens and M. Tredgett (England) beat P. Bullivant and M. Wilks (England), 11—15, 15—9, 18—17. Women's doubles: Semi-final round: N. Perry and A. Statt (England) beat H. De Kort and M. Ravelli, 15—4, 15—7; G. Gilks and P. Ferrington (England) beat J. van Beusekom and M. Ridder, 15—11, 4—15, 15—6.

Orienteering

UNIVERSITY MATCH: Men's race won by Cambridge: 1, C. Hirst (Cambridge), 51min 17sec; 2, H. Bock (Oxford), 54:32; 3, G. Nilsen (Cambridge), 1:2:20. Women's race won by Cambridge: 1, A. Reed (Cambridge), 40:18; 2, M. Ockendon (Cambridge), 53:33; 3, J. Mackenzie (Cambridge), 1:0:38.

Motor rallying

STOCKHOLM: Swedish rally: 1, B. Waldegaard, Ford Escort, 6hr 41min 40sec; 2, H. Mikkola, Ford Escort, 6:43:08; 3, M. Alen, Fiat Abarth, 6:44:26; 4, S. Blomqvist, Lancia, 6:46:48; 5, A. Vatanen, Ford Escort, 6:49:01; 6, S. Lampinen, Fiat Abarth, 6:56:15.

Swimming

LISBON: Two-day youth international: 1, Great Britain, 306 pts; 2, Netherlands, 234; 3, Denmark, 215; 4, Ireland, 200; 5, Spain, 151; 6, Israel, 61.

Golf

MANILA: Philippines Masters championship: 212: K. Cox (US), 72, 72, 68; 214: Hsu Chi-San (Taiwan), 73, 70, 71, J. Arosa 72, 69, 73, E. Nival, 71, 73, 70, M. Siodina, 75, 67, 74; 215: Ho Ming Chung (Taiwan), 69, 72, 74, B. Jones (Australia), 74, 70, 71, Lu Shi-Chuen (Taiwan), 71, 73, 71; 216: P. Burtzer (US), 75, 72, 69, R. Lavares, 70, 73, 73, W. Sander (US), 74, 68, 74. British scores: 217: M. Bembridge, 72, 74, 71; 222: H. Clark, 69, 78, 75.
MANILA: Philippines Masters: 284, Hsu Chi-San (Taiwan); 285, P. Burtzer (US), R. Lavares, M. Siodina; 286, J. Arosa jun; 287, W. Sanders (US), E. Nival.

Athletics

KYOTO (Japan): Annual marathon: D. Chettle (Australia), 2hr 16min 0.4sec.
TORONTO: Indoor meeting: Mile, 1, E. Coghlan (Ireland), 4min 0.4sec; 2, W. Waigwa (Kenya); 3, F. Bayi (Tanzania). 1,500m: 1, R. McCormack (US), 3:54.1.

Bobsleigh

LAKE PLACID: World championships: Four-man: 1, Austria II, 1:03:97, 1:04:42; total 2:08:39. 2, Swiss I, 1:03:90, 1:04:68; 2:08:59. 3, E Germany II, 1:04:36, 1:04:30; 2:08:66. 4, E Germany I, 1:04:20, 1:04:61; 2:08:81. 5, West Germany II, 1:04:46, 1:04:69; 2:09:15. 6, United States I, 1:04:49, 1:04:93; 2:09:42. 11, Britain I, 1:05:08, 1:05:07; 2:10:15. 19, Britain II, 1:05:70, 1:05:79; 2:11:49.

Cresta run

JOHANNES BADRUTT TROPHY: 1, C. Tesdorpf (Germany), 2min 44.15sec; 2, C. Brantschen (Switzerland), 2:46.04; 3, M. Melcher (Switzerland), 2:46.27; 4, H. Ritzerfeld (Germany), 2:46.66; 5, A. Bryner (Switzerland), 2:46.68; 6, U. Nater (Switzerland), 2:47.11.
GRAND NATIONAL: 1, B. Bischofberger (Switzerland), 2:50.65; 2, R. Gansser (Switzerland), 2:51.22; 3, G. Bibbia (Switzerland), 2:51.39; 4, U. Burgerstein (Switzerland), 2:51.5; 5, C. Nater (Switzerland), 2:51.59; 6, F. Gansser (Switzerland), 2:52.28.

Tobogganing

HAMMARSTRAND, Sweden: European championships: Men, 1,000 metres (three runs, final run today): 1, P. Hildgartner (Italy), 134.058sec; 2, H. Rinn (E Germany), 136.152; 3, V. Shitov (USSR), 137.376; 35, J. Palmer-Tomkinson (GB), 145.950; 38, I. Decarvalho (GB), 149.664; 32, D. Prentice (GB), 162.415. WOMEN: 900 metres (two runs): 1, E. Demleitner (W Germany), 85.436sec; 2, V. Zozolia (USSR), 86.097; 3, A. Maevsskaya (USSR), 86.312; 13, A. Walker (GB), 94.276.

Ice hockey

NATIONAL LEAGUE: New York Islanders 8, Detroit Red Wings 5; Toronto Maple Leafs 3, New York Rangers 2; Montreal Canadiens 7, St Louis Blues 3; Minnesota North Stars 3, Vancouver Canucks 2; Pittsburgh Penguins 3, Los Angeles Kings 3.
WORLD ASSOCIATION: New England Whalers 8, Cincinnati Stingers 7; Houston Aeros 8, Quebec Nordiques 4; Winnipeg Jets 8, Indianapolis Racers 3.

Football

Results bring little warmth to London clubs

By Norman Fox
Football Correspondent

Even among those who were allowed to play despite the ice and frost on Saturday there was not unanimous relief. Arsenal admitted that their thoughts were on tomorrow's Football League Cup semi-final round tie with Liverpool at Highbury, and Manchester City took as few risks as possible in beating Queen's Park Rangers to return to second position.

There were only four first division matches and at three the word "lottery" was heard from players and managers. Only West Ham United's pitch seemed comparatively free from severe frost but being beaten by Bristol City brought no warmth to East London. The possibility of losing two London clubs from the first division, West Ham and Queen's Park Rangers, and gaining one in Tottenham Hotspur, is growing. Meanwhile, Watford, who seemingly only come into the vague elastic boundaries of London when they are doing well, will soon be able to say that they cannot be caught in the fourth division.

With Nottingham Forest unable to play at Aston Villa and Everton similarly frostbound at Norwich, the victory of Manchester City neatly brought the top of the first division into its true perspective. All four leading clubs have played 27 matches and Brian Clough, the Forest manager, is still on course with his forecast that City will remain his team's most serious rivals.

Another of Mr Clough's statements that escaped from sealed lips was that Forest could not be expected to achieve the treble, the League, FA Cup and League Cup. I recall saying at the beginning of the season that the championship would not be a matter of Liverpool defending their title but more of the others trying to take it away. The feeling beneath an apparent truism was that none of the likely challengers had the organization or variety of skills to do this.

The emergence of Forest has tended to obscure that two other clubs have also regularly been ahead of Liverpool this season. In the absence of Forest, the title would now be excitingly within the grasp of Manchester City, Everton, Arsenal and Liverpool. The question is, though, would any *of them be* in a position to overthrow Liverpool as the dominant force in the Football League?

That Liverpool have been in decline for several months yet remain a mere two points from City and Everton and ahead of Arsenal, the best southern team by a distance, suggests that they would not. This, then, is a measure of Forest's achievement and Mr Clough's reservations are no doubt planted to shield his players from the glare of expectancy that last season finally led to Liverpool failing at one of the fences when they were clearly the most efficient team in all of the competitior that they took seriously.

Within the next six days Fore should reach the League Cup Final ar the sixth round of the FA Cup. Short it should be possible to be sure whethi they are to be the team who end an er

Forest's comfortable 3—1 lead ov Leeds United in the League Cup giv them an almost invincible advantage t Wednesday and yesterday news fro Leeds that Lorimer and Reaney h not recovered from injuries receive last week and would not play again them must have swung the remnan of doubt. Leeds also confirmed th McQueen, whom they sold to Ma chester United, should not be allowe to play against them in a League gan next Saturday because of a clause the transfer agreement. McQueen cor mented: "I wouldn't be surprised there was another clause that I play all other games with my legs ti together."

Hands up who is feeling foolish

By Norman Fox

Chelsea felt hurt and rather foolish on Saturday, like a skier who twists his ankle on the hotel stairs. They had done enough to beat Manchester United in a match that could easily have been postponed but was rewarding within the limitations of frost on the lower slopes of Stamford Bridge. Then, in the last seconds, Finnieston almost went out of his way to handle the ball and Manchester United scored their second equalizer from the penalty spot.

No proper explanation was offered. Ken Shellito, the Chelsea manager, thought it was the sort of thing you did in the heat of the moment, even though there was no obvious danger when Finnieston thrust his hand into the penalty area when it seemed better to remain outside and ignore the ball as it passed *him* on an inconsequential route. David Sexton, Manchester United's manager, had only been *concerned* that the referee would be *unsighted*. The managers agreed that whatever the cause of the aberration the goal brought a balance that was fair. In that respect, Mr Shellito may have been slightly generous to United.

If anything could be gathered from a match made unusually difficult by a wide variation of surfaces, it was that Manchester United were not obtaining full value for their expenditure on Jordan and may yet find that buying McQueen as well does not overcome the fact that they are an incomplete team. Admittedly they are undergoing a transition, not least in their fundamental style which is now more considered, but they seem basically unsure of themselves.

From the spectators' view some of the joy has gone from their game. The threat of Jordan was extinguished well before the end. Droy, the giant who had been expected to look after him, occasionally blocked his way but more often Wicks pestered him into submission. Droy was left to give Pearson an uncomfortable match. There was rarely any question of aggression but Pearson probably felt like the postman who is told that a snarling Doberman Pinscher is "ever so friendly, really". Droy is now good at his job.

Chelsea scored two excellent goals and had a promising first half. United's goals were less interesting but they dominated much of the second half when Macari served them with typical thoroughness. Aesthetically, though, the young Chelsea players were always more imaginative. Britton, who receives less than his share of compliments, was especially effective as he inspired attacking moves from within his own half, and Wilkins scored a superb goal which rewarded him for attempting the unlikely.

Wilkins also founded Chelsea's first goal with a fine volleyed pass to Swain, who provided Walker with a clear opening to score. That was after 19 minutes and United did not equalize until the 52nd, when Chelsea offered them a goal almost as surely as the later penalty. Wicks hammered a back pass to Bonetti who, not surprisingly, failed to hold the ball and McIlroy nipped in to score.

Wilkins immediately took a captain's part by hitting a long shot of exceptional accuracy. Finnieston's strange handling of the ball to give Hill the second equalizer was really no more astounding than Jordan's missed goal from close range just before half-time. On such a day odd things were familiar occurences.

CHELSEA: P Bonetti; G. Locke, R. Harris, I. Britton, M. Droy, S. Wicks, S. Finnieston, R. Wilkins, T. Langley, K. Swain, C. Walker.
MANCHESTER UNITED: P. Roche; J. Nicholl, A. Albiston, S. McIlroy, S. Houston, B. Greenhoff, S. Coppell, J. Jordan, S. Pearson, L. Macari, G. Hill.
Referee: J. Gow (Swansea).

Lots of problems and little time left for West Ham

By Tom Freeman

There must be serious doubts about West Ham United's ability to stay in the first division following their 2-1 home defeat by Bristol City on Saturday. They are now firmly anchored in the danger zone with three other clubs and can extract little satisfaction from their next three fixtures, against Everton, Arsenal and Nottingham Forest.

Time is running out and there are still many problems at Upton Park—among them whether to play Ferguson or Day in goal, and who to permutate next from their list of strikers. On Saturday the goalkeeping problem was solved temporarily because Ferguson had influenza, and up front Cross and Hales continued, although Hales was replaced later by Alan Taylor. None of these three made much impact on the game, and it was left, once more, to Brooking to provide most of the few scoring attempts. However, Robson did manage a characterstic goal after 12 minutes when Bonds got his head to Devonshire's corner and Robson slipped the ball just inside the post.

West Ham could have been forgiven for feeling complacent for they had done all the pressing on the icy pitch, and there was more than a hint of desperation in the City defence. Then, on the stroke of half-time, West Ham suffered a stroke of cruel luck. Mann, taking a free kick, thumped the ball hard through a crowd of players, and it was deflected by Lampard into the net.

With the scores level again, City, who had offered little in d first half, played much better the second. They were inclined overdo the delicate passing such a tricky pitch, but they gre in confidence as West Ham wilte And, most important they did t simple things well.

Rodgers, a big centre-half pla ing in only his second Lea game instead of the injured C lier, was pushed up for the hi balls, and had given warning his presence earlier in the gam Then, half an hour from the en he was there again, head against the bar from Hunter lofted free kick and presenti Royle with the easiest of goa By now West Ham did not ha the strength or will to laun much of a counter-attack, thou there was one narrow escape front of the Bristol goal.

The main reason why West Ha lost was because they had players to match Gow, a fit tiger of a man, in midfield, w was a great inspiration to the r of the team. But one must ask t old question—whether it is to expect players to play on su a pitch, on which their main co sideration was not to play footb but how to keep their fee whether important points shou be won and lost in such circu stances, and whether spectato really want to watch such a d tortion of the game.

WEST HAM UNITED: M. Day; McDowell, F. Lampard, W. Bonds, Taylor, W. Green, A. Devonshi B. Robson, D. Cross, T. Brooking, Hales (sub: A. Taylor).
BRISTOL CITY: J. Shaw; Sweeney, G. Merrick, G. Gow, Rodgers, N. Hunter, J. Mann, Ritchie, J. Royle, P. Cormack, Whitehead.
Referee: C. Thomas (Treorchy).

McAllister saves Spurs in riveting climax

By Geoffrey Green

After the mud and rain of the previous Saturday, it was a hard, frosty stage and arctic cold at White Hart Lane, fit more for a Humpty-Dumpty pantomime on ice or polar bears than football. In spite of it all, however, Tottenham Hotspur and Blackpool put up a brave show in a 2—2 draw, adding some passing warmth as temperamental sparks flew now and then in frustration and ill-timed tackles which brought about the booking of six players.

It was a creditable show by Blackpool in the circumstances. They came to London shorn of their manager, Allan Brown, dismissed during the week, and without their chief goalscorer, Hatton, who had twisted an ankle playing squash rackets. Yet in spite of these disabilities, they gave themselves such a flying start that for a long time Spurs faced the prospect of their first League defeat at home this season. Only a grandstand finish saved them.

Within the opening five minutes Blackpool were two ahead, and the near 30,000 Tottenham crowd were as silent and bemused as their team. Both goals were a consequence of goalkeeping frailty. But frankly, Daines had to be pitied. His goal area, under the shadow of a stand, was thick with frost, and a slippery white sheet of glass.

When the diminutive Ronson let fly from some 30 yards, Daines lost his feet as the ball swerved late to go past him off his arm. About 90 seconds had gone then, and almost at once the goalkeeper was stranded again, like a beginner taking to skates, as Walsh rose to head in Thompson's free kick.

Whether Spurs could offset the burden of such a beginning was a question mark that hovered over the rest of the bitter afternoon. The crowd stamped their feet like penguins to keep the circulation and their side going, and in the injury time before the interval Pratt scrambled them back into the match when he forced home the ball in a melee after Duncan had headed down a free kick by Taylor.

From then on Blackpool were largely on the rack, but surrendered only five minutes from the end when McAllister, following a rugby-type up-and-under clearance from his own defence, beat an intended offside trap to lob the ball over the advancing Ward's head. Ward, meanwhile, had kept Spurs at bay with elastic saves from Lee, Duncan and Taylor in a storming climax which even managed to banish a cold, which by then had invaded the marrow.

It was not a day for critical judgments. It was a wonder anyone could keep their balance properly. But up until half-time, Blackpool looked the better side, as they built their attacks thoughtfully from midfield. There was an echo of Allan Brown—a former Scottish international of class—in their style, so that one wondered at his sudden departure. The clash of personalities is a constant hazard in football.

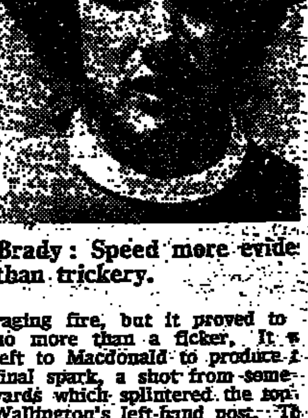
Hoddle and McNab for once were subdued for Tottenham, and the man who caught the eye was Walsh, leader of the Blackpool attack. Master of McAllister and most others in the air, he led his line cleverly and unselfishly and it was ironic that McAllister should have the last laugh as he saved Spurs.

TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR: B. Daines; T. Naylor, J. Holmes, G. Hoddle, D. McAllister, S. Perryman, J. Pratt, N. McNab, J. Duncan, C. Lee, P. Taylor.
BLACKPOOL: R. Ward; P. Gardner, J. Weston; P. Hart, S. McEwan, M. Thompson, W. Ronson, J. Chandler, M. Walsh, A. Ainscow, A. Waldron.
Referee: K. W. Baker (Warwickshire).

Brady feeds his fellows then helps himself

By Stuart Jones

Arsenal's enemy on Saturday was not the pitch. Leicester City's balloon had seen to that. Nor was it their opponents, who were embarrassingly short of confidence. It was their own complacency and, but for a stray hand of fate, they would have lost the battle. As it was, they drew 1—1.



Brady: Speed more evide than trickery.

With only cup medals on their horizon, Arsenal were looking towards tomorrow's severe test against Liverpool. Leicester's eyes can only stare at the drop to the second division, a descent from which there seems no escape. The freezing afternoon held little that was positive, except for a display during the interval by an Alsation who attacked a gunman.

Arsenal's attacks stemmed so often from Brady that he seemed to carry a stamp of authenticity. In his deceptively lazy style, he drifts past challengers as though lapping them on a running track. It is a sudden burst of speed rather than trickery that takes him into clear territory. After serving up four or five opportunities for his fellow strikers, he decided to score himself during the dawn of the second half.

Macdonald and Stapleton were as incisive as old razors up front and it was only the presence of Macdonald that worried Webb as Nelson's cross came over. Although Rofe was covering, he handled the innocent centre, a clear indication of the cold fear that thrills through Leicester's veins. There was a moment of confusion as Mr Burns pointed to the spot but Brady was as nonchalant with his kick as he was throughout the match.

The home crowd, despairing at Leicester's statuesque performance, called for Weller, sitting on the substitutes' bench. Frank McLintock, who left Arsenal's central defence to manage Leicester, heard the cry. He replaced Davies, one of a collection of dusty names that included Armstrong, also a former Arsenal stalwart and now bearded, Webb, Salmons and Hughes.

Within five minutes, the reward came. Weller floated a cross over Arsenal's defence to Hughes and his header fell at the feet of Williams. Jennings, of all goalkeepers, who had earlier defied Williams with a remarkable instinctive save, conceded Leicester's first League goal in 1978. Indeed, Williams joins Sims and Kember as their leading scorer—with two.

For a moment, Leicester were a raging fire, but it proved to no more than a flicker. It w left to Macdonald to produce a final spark, a shot from some yards which splintered the top Wallington's left-hand post. Th was with his little-known rig foot. Seconds later, he tried his more famed left, and alm struck the corner flag.

It was the last breath of a co test that held no bite until R sought retribution near the en Thinking that he had been foul by Weller, he went in search of victim. Goodwin was chosen random and was brutally upende Mr Burns took the name of Ri but the name of the Alsation we unheeded.

LEICESTER CITY: M. Wallington; Whitworth, D. Rofe, T. Williams, Sims, D. Webb, G. Armstrong, Goodwin, R. Davies (sub: K. Weller), C. Salmons, W. Hughes.
ARSENAL: P. Jennings; P. Rice, Nelson, D. Price, D. O'Leary, Young, L. Brady, A. Sunderland, Macdonald, F. Stapleton, G. Rix.
Referee: K. Burns (Stourbridge).

Leading goalscorers

FIRST DIVISION: R. Latchford (Everton), 23; I. Wallace (Coventry C), 21; K. Dalglish (Liverpool), 17; T. Francis (Birmingham C), 16; R. Hankin (Leeds U), 16; P. Withe (Nottingham Forest), 16; T. Brown (WBA), 15; A. Gray (Aston Villa), 15; D. Tueart (Manchester C), 15.
SECOND DIVISION: R. Hatton (Blackpool), 22; P. Kitchen (Orient), 20; J. Duncan (Tottenham H), [illegible]; M. Flanagan (Charlton A), [illegible]; G. Rowell (Sunderland), 15; P. Ward (Brighton), 15; N. Whatmore (Bolton W), 15.
THIRD DIVISION: D. McNi[illegible] (Wrexham), 25; D. Kemp (Portsmouth), 21; A. Biley (Cambridge U), 21; A. Buckley (Walsall), [illegible]; Bruce (Preston), 19; [illegible] (Wrexham), 18; W. Rafferty (Carlisle U), 17.

City are better at dipping into bran tub

By Tom German

Much of the script was borrowed from Ben Travers, the action from beginners' night at the Ice Palace, but once Manchester City and Queen's Park Rangers had accepted that the successful coordination of thought and movement was largely a matter of chance, what they offered at Maine Road on Saturday was of remarkable value. That possibly provides some justification for the decision to play the match, which City won 2—1, but striving to win championships and avoid relegation are surely issues for resolution by skill and judgement rather than by a dip in a bran-tub.

In the event, the result conformed to the form book, but it could so easily have scoffed at it. Rangers were noticably less ill at ease in the opening half when they might have established a commanding lead, and though City found a more successful formula in the second period, the London side certainly looked too assured to be struggling near the foot of the table.

While City reeled and sprawled at the outset, Rangers moved the ball up sharply, recognising that a player running purposefully forward has a distinct advantage over a retreating defender who, as likely as not, will find himself in an undignified heap if he attempts to turn quickly. Busby and James in particular used the weapon skillfully, and but for Corrigan's agility, Rangers might have had a haul of three or four goals.

It is not an original observation, but it is worth repeating that Corrigan is unrecognizable from the tentative, fumbling Collosus of a few seasons ago. From his well-sanded foothold he made three marvellous saves from Busby, Shanks and Bowles, each demanding instant reaction and unerring reach; each underlined his challenge to Clemence and Shilton for the England jersey. Corrigan was beaten on each side of the interval as first Givens, then James, showed how to turn the full back, and he was more than delighted to see Busby's shots rebound from the woodwork on each occasion.

So Rangers had nothing to show for their greater adaptability and enterprise, and it quickly became apparent that City had absorbed the lesson of how to disturb defenders on such a hazardous foothold—defenders who, hitherto, had welded securely round Howe. In the span of eight minutes, City scored twice by channelling the ball down the middle for a fast-moving forward to pursue.

The first began with Corrigan rolling the ball out to his nearest defender and ended with it being hoisted forward for Channon to chase. He looked a couple of strides off side but there was no signal from the linesman, and he raced clear to lob the ball beyond Parkes's reach; surely a weight off the mind of the English international who would probably still be a costly substitute but for Tueart's determination to look for rewards in America.

City's second goal came from much the same mould. Watson drove it hard up the middle, and Bell scuttled through to score with a fine shot as Gillard, Howe and Bowles all tried desperately to accelerate and converge upon him.

It was Bell's first goal since he returned to the side 10 matches ago after a long absence through injury, and the warm ovation from the 40,000 crowd will have soothed away something of the memory of those months of doubt and despair. Bell has measured himself shrewdly since his reemergence, but his clever positioning and analysis of developing opportunities are reasons why Manchester City can still cling to some hope in their pursuit of Nottingham Forest at the head of the championship.

There were more chances, but no more goals, as City more confidently carried the attack forward; Kidd in particular found Parkes a troublesome obstruction. Oddly, *it* was Rangers who at last found a way through just before the end as James set up an opening for Abbott. It was less than Rangers deserved.

MANCHESTER CITY: J. Corrigan; K. Clements, W. Donachie, T. Booth, D. Watson, G. Owen, M. Channon, C. Bell, B. Kidd, A. Hartford, P. Barnes.
QUEEN'S PARK RANGERS: P. Parkes; D. Clement, I. Gillard, J. Hollins, E. Howe, R. Abbott, D. Shanks, M. Busby, L. James, S. Bowles, D. Givens.
Referee: T. Mills (Barnsley).

Weekend results and tables

First division

Chelsea	2	Manchester Utd	2
Leicester	1	Arsenal	1
Manchester C	2	QP Rangers	1
West Ham	1	Bristol City	2

Postponed: Aston Villa v Nottm Forest; Leeds United v Derby County; Liverpool v Ipswich Town; Middlesbrough v Coventry City; Newcastle United v Birmingham City; Norwich City v Everton; Wolverhampton Wanderers v West Bromwich Albion.

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Nottm Forest	27	18	6	3	49	15	42
Manchester C	27	16	4	7	55	28	36
Everton	27	14	8	5	52	31	36
Liverpool	27	14	6	7	35	20	34
Arsenal	28	14	6	8	36	24	34
Leeds United	27	13	8	7	42	34	33
Coventry	27	15	6	8	50	43	32
Aston Villa	26	11	6	9	30	25	28
West Bromwich	26	10	8	8	36	32	28
Norwich City	27	9	10	8	33	40	28
Manchester U	27	11	5	11	44	42	27
Derby County	26	9	8	9	32	38	26
Middlesbrough	27	9	8	10	28	37	26
Bristol City	28	8	9	11	35	34	25
Chelsea	27	8	9	10	32	42	25
Wolvrhmptn W	27	8	7	12	33	40	23
Ipswich Town	27	8	7	12	29	36	23
Birmingham	27	9	4	14	36	46	22
West Ham Utd	27	6	7	14	32	44	19
QP Rangers	27	4	10	13	28	43	18
Newcastle Utd	25	6	2	17	29	47	14
Leicester City	28	2	10	16	13	44	14

Second division

Blackburn	2	Luton	0
Brighton	2	Burnley	1
Bristol Rovers	2	Orient	1
C Palace	1	Sheffield Utd	0
Mansfield	2	Cardiff	2
Southampton	2	Millwall	3
Tottenham	2	Blackpool	2

Postponed: Bolton Wanderers v Sunderland; Notts County v Fulham; Stoke City v Hull City.

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Tottenham	28	14	11	3	57	28	39
Bolton Wdr	26	17	4	5	46	24	38
Southampton	28	15	7	6	45	30	37
Brighton	28	15	9	6	42	28	35
Blackburn	27	13	8	6	39	34	34
Oldham	27	11	9	7	35	31	31
Blackpool	28	11	7	10	44	37	29
Crystal Palace	27	10	9	8	38	33	29
Luton Town	28	10	8	10	38	30	28
Sunderland	27	8	11	8	47	43	27
Bristol Rovers	28	8	10	10	40	49	26
Sheffield Utd	27	10	6	11	40	50	26
Fulham	26	9	7	10	36	31	25
Charlton	26	9	7	10	39	46	25
Orient	27	6	11	10	29	33	23
Stoke City	25	8	6	11	26	29	22
Notts County	26	7	8	11	35	44	22
Cardiff City	27	7	8	12	36	54	22
Hull City	27	6	9	12	24	29	21
Burnley	28	6	7	15	26	47	19
Millwall	26	4	10	12	25	37	18
Mansfield	27	5	8	14	34	51	18

Third division

Cambridge Utd	3	Plymouth	0
Exeter	1	Peterborough	0
Hereford	0	Preston	0
Lincoln	1	Portsmouth	0
Oxford Utd	0	Carlisle	0
Sheffield Wed.	3	Port Vale	1
Walsall	3	Shrewsbury	0
Wrexham	1	Chesterfield	1

Postponed: Bradford City v Tranmere Rovers; Colchester United v Rotherham United; Gillingham v Chester

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Cambridge Utd	31	16	7	8	55	39	39
Tranmere	31	14	9	8	41	27	37
Gillingham	29	12	13	4	53	36	37
Wrexham	27	14	9	4	44	28	37
Preston	28	12	10	6	36	21	34
Colchester	29	10	11	8	38	28	31
Bury	28	10	11	7	40	35	31
Chesterfield	28	12	6	10	34	27	30
Shrewsbury	30	10	10	10	43	38	30
Walsall	28	9	12	7	35	30	30
Peterborough	27	10	10	7	21	20	30
Chester	28	8	14	6	33	38	30
Swindon Town	26	10	9	7	45	36	29
Carlisle Utd	29	9	11	9	37	36	29
Lincoln City	30	9	10	11	33	39	28
Exeter City	30	10	8	12	33	43	28
Oxford Utd	30	8	10	12	34	45	26
Sheffield Wed	28	8	8	12	30	36	24
Port Vale	29	6	12	11	32	43	24
Rotherham	26	7	8	11	32	40	22
Plymouth	29	6	10	13	34	45	22
Hereford Utd	29	5	11	13	21	38	21
Portsmouth	30	4	12	14	29	51	20
Bradford City	28	6	7	15	32	51	19

Fourth division

Newport	3	Rochdale	0
Watford	0	Barnsley	0
Wimbledon	0	Scunthorpe	0

Postponed: Aldershot v Darlington; Brentford v Doncaster Rovers; Grimsby Town v Swansea City; Halifax Town v Bournemouth; Hartlepool v Northampton Town; Southport v Reading.

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Watford	28	21	3	4	60	23	45
Southend Utd	28	15	7	6	38	23	37
Barnsley	28	12	11	5	40	23	35
Newport Co	29	13	7	9	50	41	33
Aldershot	28	11	10	7	37	37	32
Torquay Utd	29	10	12	7	36	33	32
Swansea City	27	12	7	8	41	25	31
Brentford	28	11	9	8	51	40	31
Stockport Co	29	11	9	9	41	30	31
Huddersfield	28	9	12	7	39	29	30
Reading	27	13	4	10	36	34	30
Grimsby Town	27	12	6	9	33	32	30
Darlington	30	11	8	11	39	40	30
Bournemouth	29	10	8	11	30	35	28
Northampton	28	10	7	11	42	50	27
Doncaster	28	10	7	11	35	42	27
Scunthorpe Utd	29	8	9	12	31	40	25
Crewe Alex	28	9	6	13	31	50	24
Halifax Town	27	6	11	10	29	33	23
York City	29	8	7	14	33	41	23
Wimbledon	29	5	12	12	33	52	22
Southport	27	3	14	10	32	41	20
Hartlepool	26	6	5	15	27	48	17
Rochdale	30	4	5	21	29	57	13

Scottish premier division

Postponed: Clydebank v Motherwell; Dundee United v Rangers; Hibernian v Ayr United; Partick Thistle v Celtic; St Mirren v Aberdeen.

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Rangers	23	16	4	3	50	25	36
Aberdeen	24	13	6	5	38	21	32
Dundee United	22	9	6	7	25	17	24
Partick Thistle	22	10	3	8	31	33	24
Motherwell	24	9	5	10	30	29	23
Hibernian	21	8	4	9	30	20	20
Celtic	21	8	3	10	31	31	19
St Mirren	23	7	5	11	33	37	19
Ayr United	23	7	4	12	24	42	18
Clydebank	21	3	3	15	13	39	9

NORTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE: Bangor City 2, Matlock 0; Stafford Rangers 1, Goole 0; Wigan Athletic 0, Great Harwood 0.

Scottish first division

Kilmarnock	0	Dumbarton	1

Postponed: East Fife v Queen of South; Hamilton Academicals v Alloa Athletic; Montrose v Dundee; Morton v Heart of Midlothian; St Johnstone v Airdrieonians; Stirling Albion v Arbroath.

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Dundee	26	16	4	6	59	33	36
Morton	24	16	4	4	53	27	36
Hearts	26	15	6	5	56	34	36
Dumbarton	27	11	11	5	46	35	33
Kilmarnock	28	9	10	9	35	34	28
Hamilton	26	9	8	9	43	39	26
St Johnstone	25	11	4	10	38	39	26
Stirling Albion	25	9	7	9	32	34	25
Arbroath	26	8	9	9	33	42	25
Queen of South	25	7	9	9	32	38	23
Airdrieonians	25	7	8	10	31	39	22
Montrose	26	7	6	13	37	45	20
Alloa Athletic	26	4	6	16	29	63	14
East Fife	27	3	6	18	32	66	12

Scottish second division

Forfar	1	Stranraer	1

(abandoned after 35 mins)
Postponed: Albion Rovers v Dunfermline; Berwick Rangers v Brechin City.

ATHENIAN LEAGUE: Ruislip Manor 2, Leyton-Wingate 2; Uxbridge 1, Chertsey Town 2; Windsor and Eton 0, Grays Athletic 0.
FA VASE: Fifth round: Barton Rovers 3, Billericay Town 2.
SCHOOLS MATCH: Westminster 3, City of London 0.
ARTHURIAN LEAGUE: Old Malvernians 2, Lancing OB 2.
ARTHUR DUNN CUP: Second round: Old Cholmeleians 0, Old Chigwellians

ISTHMIAN LEAGUE: Premier division: Enfield 1, Southall & EB 0; Hayes 0, Barking 2; Leatherhead 2, Croydon 3; Woking 0, Leytonstone 0. First division: Avalon 1, Maidenhead United 3; Chesham United 5, Oxford City 3; Harlow Town 2, Horsham 1; Hornchurch 1, Walton and Hersham 1. Second division: Camberley Town 5, Willesden 1; Cheshunt 1, Epping Town 2; Metropolitan Police 1, Epsom and Ewell 1; Molesey 3, Feltham 1.
SOUTHERN LEAGUE: Premier division: AP Leamington 1, Cheltenham 0; Bedford 1, Gravesend 3; Hillingdon 1, Minehead 0; Telford 1, Dover 0; Yeovil 3, Atherstone 0. First division: North: Bridgend 0, Kings Lynn 0; Dunstable 1, Barry 0. South: Andover 1, Margate 3; Aylesbury 1, Ashford 1; Canterbury 2, Folkestone/Sheppey 4; Dorchester 3, Crawley 1; Taunton 2, Salisbury 0; Waterlooville 2, Addlestone 3.

European results

AUSTRIAN LEAGUE: Rapid 4, Vienna 1; Innsbruck 1, Grazer 0; Sturm Graz 1, Austria Wien, 1.
BELGIAN LEAGUE: La Louvière [illegible] Anderlecht 2; Lokeren 2, Liège [illegible] Kortrijk 2, Boom 0; Antwerp 2, Winterslag 0; Lierse 2, Beerschot 0; Standard 0, Waregem 0; Racing White 0, Beveren 2; FC Bruges 2, Charleroi 0; Beringen 2, CS Bruges 1.
DUTCH LEAGUE: VVV 1, NEC [illegible] Feyenoord 1, Ajax 1; Vitesse 1, [illegible] 67 2.
FRENCH LEAGUE: Bordeaux [illegible] Strasbourg 0; Sochaux 1, Nimes [illegible] Bastia 0, Nantes 0; Laval 2, Troyes [illegible] Lens 0, Valenciennes 2; Monaco [illegible] Nice 0.
FRENCH LEAGUE: Lyon 3, Paris St Germain 2; Reims 0, Marseille 0.
GREEK LEAGUE: Paok 5, Crete [illegible] Panathinaikos 1, Olympiakos 0; AEK Athens 3, Panserraikos 1; Apollon [illegible] Verroia 0; Ethnikos 0, Ioannina [illegible] Aris 1, Pierikos 2; Kavala 3, Iraklis [illegible] Kastoria 2, Panachaiki 3; Aegaleo [illegible] Panionios 0.
ITALIAN LEAGUE: Bologna 1, Pescara 1; Foggia 0, Roma 0; Lazio [illegible] Atalanta 2; AC Milan 0, Juventus [illegible] Napoli 0, Inter Milan 2; Perugia [illegible] Genoa 0; Torino 2, Vicenza 2; Verona 0, Fiorentina 0.
PORTUGUESE LEAGUE: Benfica [illegible] Varzim 2; Espinho 2, Guimaraes [illegible] Portimonense 0, Belenenses 2; Boavista 1, Sporting Lisbon 0; Academico [illegible] Riopele 1, Braga 2; Farense 1, Setubal 1; Porto 4, Estoril 0; Maritimo 0.
WEST GERMAN LEAGUE: Bayern Munich 7, Saarbrucken 1; Stuttgart [illegible] Hertha BSC Berlin 0; Fortuna Dusseldorf 1, Borussia Dortmund 0; Eintracht Frankfurt 1, 1860 Munich 0; Bochum 1, Eintracht Brunswick 1; Cologne [illegible] SV Hamburg 1; Kaiserslautern [illegible] Duisburg 1; Werder Bremen 2, Schalke 04 0; St Pauli 0, Borussia Monchengladbach 1.

Today's fixtures

FOURTH DIVISION: Barnsley v Swansea (7.30).
SCOTTISH CUP: Third round replay: Cowdenbeath v Partick Thistle (7.30).

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Among his fellow jockeys he is one of the most respected and best-loved characters in the weighing room.

Broderick was a superb judge of pace. As Peter Easterby would be the first to admit, the Irishman's tactical sense and superb horsemanship has played no small part in making Night Nurse the great hurdler that he is.

Among other good horses that Broderick rode to many victories was Easby Abbey, the horse Easterby is convinced would have won him a Cheltenham Gold Cup if he had not broken down after capturing the Massey-Ferguson Gold Cup two seasons ago.

The Malton trainer said that his other good hurdler, Sea Pigeon, might not run again before Cheltenham. The same may also apply to Night Nurse's arch rival, Birds Nest. It is bad luck on Bob Turnell and his joint owner, Ian Scott, that Birds Nest should have been deprived of the chance of a third victory in the Wolverhampton Champion Hurdle Trial. The Marlborough trainer, confirming that Beacon Light would travel to Ireland for next Saturday's Erin Foods Champion Hurdle at Leopardstown provided the weather relents, said that he had yet to decide whether or not to give Birds Nest another race before his third clash with Night Nurse at Cheltenham.

We must now face up to the fact that there can be no racing for the next few days. Wolverhampton was called off at 11 am yesterday because of heavy frost. Teesside Park has also been abandoned as there is 10 inches of snow on the course. Tomorrow's fixture at Carlisle was also called off yesterday and Warwick must be in doubt. Carlisle was the thirty-eighth casualty of the season.

Captain Nicholas Beaumont, clerk of the course at Ascot, said yesterday: "The ground is frozen solid at present. It will require a drastic change in the weather if Wednesday's meeting is to take place." The stewards will probably inspect the course tomorrow.

The loss of Ascot would be a grievous blow. The Dealer and the highly thought of Irish novice, Jack of Trumps, are two of the 13 declared for the £4,000 Reynoldstown Steeplechase. If racing takes place, Fulke Walwyn's Ghost Writer, winner of the Reynoldstown two years ago, will be trying to repeat his last year's success in the £7,000 Whitbread Trial Handicap Steeplechase. That grand stayer, John Cherry, who was deprived of a winning opportunity when Haydock Park was abandoned last week, has accepted for the three-mile Fernbank Hurdle.

Rugby Union



Gammell who may play on the right wing for Scotland.

Scotland and Ireland fill gaps despite snow

By Richard Streeton

Gaps left by Scotland and Ireland in their teams for next weekend's international matches were filled yesterday when national training took place in several inches of snow at Murrayfield and Lansdowne Road. The decisions taken represented virtually the only positive rugby action possible during a weekend when winter's icy hand brought wholesale cancellations to the club programme.

Wales, too, did not let the weather deter them from going ahead with training plans at Aberavon. The Welsh had no finalizing of their team to do, although Gerald Davies was an absentee. Davies has been in bed with influenza since Friday, but is confident he will report fit when the side assemble on Thursday in readiness for Scotland's visit to Cardiff. J. P. R. Williams apparently had a head cold, but for a man who has shown himself to be impervious to pain it was surprising that the news leaked out.

Irvine, the Scottish full back, is still receiving treatment for the shoulder he injured against France nine days ago. He will decide on Wednesday whether he can play next Saturday. The Scottish selectors confirmed yesterday, as expected, that if Irvine has to withdraw, Hay will move to full back and Gammell will play on the right wing. Gammell, the huge raw-boned winger, who won three caps last year, has been added to the Scottish replacements. Eight of Scotland's team could not reach Murrayfield because of the weather conditions, but local players helped the rest of the national party at the practice.

Ireland have wisely resisted any temptation to recall McBride for the vacancy in their second row for their match with France in Paris. They had given a first cap to the 34-year-old Wanderers player Emmet O'Rafferty. He toured New Zealand in 1976 with Ireland and played in a B international at Murrayfield last December.

Rugby record books contain only scanty evidence about postponements, though notorious winters, such as 1962-63, are remembered by most of us with awe. Even then, the fixture list at all levels was seldom decimated so comprehensively throughout the country as it was on Saturday. Falmouth's 10—3 win over Sidmouth was the only game played on the official senior programme list. This match took place in dreadful cold and a curtain-raiser between two colts teams, it seems, did a useful job softening the surface for their seniors.

Many of this coming week's fixtures must already be in danger if the gloomy predictions of the weather-men prove correct. It is a particularly worrying time for Saracens and Nottingham, who next Sunday hope to play their postponed John Player Cup ties with London Welsh and Wakefield. The second round of the competition takes place six days later on February 25.

Saracens have accepted an offer from Rosslyn Park to move their important merit table game from next Saturday at Southgate to Friday night under the Roehampton lights. Despite the obvious disadvantages to Saracens, they felt it best to do this to help both their ground and administrators. At the moment the Southgate ground is bone-hard.

The Nottingham pitch, too, is full of frost, and by yesterday afternoon was covered by four inches of snow which was still falling heavily. Nottingham arranged on Saturday to transfer their match with Cheltenham to a thickly-grassed army ground nearby, and were disappointed when Cheltenham declined to play. The Nottingham players later had an hour's practice, and found the conditions perfectly suitable.

The ill-feeling between clubs sometimes engendered by a disagreement about the playing surface has always been an unfortunate factor over the years. In many ways it remains the most convincing argument for those who would like the question of ground fitness left to the referee. At the moment in English rugby the matter is settled by the captains, a system which many English referees prefer. They argue that amateur rugby is a game for the players, and it should be the players' decision whether they wish to play.

In Wales the regulations are different, and lay down that the referee has a casting vote should the captains disagree. A reminder of this, and the pros and cons for each country's system, came on Saturday at Newport. Their fixture with Leicester was abandoned only 45 minutes before the start with Leicester refusing to play. It was practically the last match in the country to succumb and right up to the last moment those of us en route to Newport were assured that the match would definitely take place.

Many spectators from clubs all over South Wales and Gloucestershire whose fixtures had been put off earlier made the journey. It had promised to be a good game between the Welsh cup-holders, with several Lions in their ranks, and one of the more attractive English sides. The irritation felt in some quarters was understandable as the sun shone from a clear, blue sky and Clive Norling (Swansea), one of Wales's international panel referees, said that he would have ruled the ground fit if two Welsh clubs had been involved. My own sympathies were with Leicester who in fact were anxious to play if possible, as they have already missed other matches recently.

The ground yielded slightly to a stud in places on top, but was rock-hard underneath and some of the bumps on the surface were like iron and still frost-covered. Hall, the Leicester captain, had agreed on the coach journey with his colleagues that it would be a team decision and agreement not to play was unanimous when the Leicester players inspected the pitch.

Oosterhuis lying in fourth place

Palm Springs, Feb 12.—Peter Oosterhuis, of Britain, was well in touch with the leaders at the start of today's fourth round of the desert golf tournament here. Oosterhuis had a four-under-par 68 yesterday for a total of 206—three strokes behind the joint leaders Tom Watson, who had a 66 yesterday, and Bill Rogers, who had a 67.

Jerry McGee was third on 204 after a superb 65 yesterday and Oosterhuis was in fourth place. Winner of the 90-hole tournament will collect $40,000.

Oosterhuis had six birdies and was twice one over par in his round. "I was much happier with my long game today, even though I did miss a few short putts", he said. "It was a pleasant change being able to hit the ball down the fairway."

The British golfer was only one under par when he drove off at the 13th, but he birdied the next three holes. He chipped to within one foot of the pin at the 13th and dropped the putt, hit a good seven iron shot and sank a 10-footer at the 14th, and had to putt from only three feet at the next after a good nine iron shot.

Watson, playing in a foursome which included the former United States president, Gerald Ford, and the comedian, Bob Hope, birdied the last two holes. He dropped a 35-footer on the 17th green and got his birdie at the par-five 18th despite putting twice from 20 feet.

The third round was to have been played on Friday but had to be put back to yesterday because the Indian Wells course here was flooded by heavy rain.

Third round leaders:

203: T. Watson 69, 68, 66; W. Rogers 69, 67, 67.
204: J. McGee 71, 68, 65.
205: P. Oosterhuis (GB) 67, 71, 68.
207: D. Edwards 71, 67, 69.
208: D. Graham (Australia) 66, 73, 69; L. Hinkle 71, 67, 70.
209: G. Adder 72, 68, 69; M. Morley 74, 70, 65; F. Fazier 71, 72, 66; J. C. Snead 70, 70, 69; S. Verplio 72, 70, 67; T. Simpson 72, 69, 68.—Reuter.

Athletics

Trip to Milan might rebound on Naylor

By Cliff Temple
Athletics Correspondent

In this breathing space between Britain's two full indoor international matches within seven days, the problems which may face the selectors when they pick the team of probably around 10 to 12 athletes for next month's European indoor championships are already becoming apparent. Perspective may still be the most important ingredient in their deliberations, after Britain's double victory over West Germany at Cosford on Saturday.

The three national indoor records set by out field event athletes, in the meeting sponsored by Philips, were warming on a cold day. Brian Hooper's double improvement on the pole vault best to 17ft 1¼in and 17ft 2¾in was perhaps the most internationally significant, even though Mark Naylor (in the men's high jump) and Judith Oakes (in the women's shot) reached levels unsurpassed by British athletes outdoors.

Naylor, a 20-year-old market researcher from Uxbridge, cleared 7ft 1¾in on his first attempt, and a solid three months' spell of training, after injury had ruined 1977, is now paying off. But the performance, record though it was, only equalled the European indoor championship's qualifying standard, and would have placed him eleventh at San Sebastian last year.

What the selectors may be looking at closely in Senftenberg next Friday is how Naylor faces up to competing against the powerful East Germans away from home. Only then might they be able to decide whether the trip to Milan would be beneficial for his experience. It may have a dampening effect on his enthusiasm, as happened with at least one other British male high jump prospect a few years ago, Wolfgang Killing's United Kingdom indoor all comers record of 7ft 5¼in on Saturday gave a clue to the gap involved. Last year Killing was ranked only joint thirteenth in Europe, but with a jump of 7ft 3¾in.

Aliss Oakes was frank about her own limitations, for at 5ft 4¼in and 11st 11lb she is perhaps one of the smallest international shot putters. Her record throw of 54ft 11in, an improvement of 13 inches on her own mark, set two weeks earlier, disappointed her with its low trajectory, as her aim had been the European championships qualifying mark of 17 metres (55ft 9¼in). Unless she achieves that before the end of the month, she said, she would not want to go to Milan anyway.

To understand why, we have to return to perspective. Even a throw of 55ft 9¼in should not have lifted her out of last place in San Sebastian (where 6Sft 5¼in took only the bronze medal) but it would have won her the 1974 Commonwealth Games title in Christchurch by almost three feet.

So, quite understandably, the 20-year-old Croydon bank clerk is more interested this year in the Edmonton Commonwealth Games than anything else. And who could blame her?

Dennis Coates found that his expected adversary in the 3,000 metres, Detlef Uhlemann, had withdrawn from the German team at the last minute, so he had to make all his own running, winning easily in 8min 1Ssec. The time was outside the European championship standard of eight minutes, and although each country can make one entry per event regardless of standard, the selectors will have to weigh up the fact that Peter Shaw ran 7min 55.2sec in Spain the previous week, but lost a much more competitive race.

Cosford results on Saturday

MEN: 60 metres (Race A): 1, M. McFarlane (GB), 6.80sec; 2, P. Lillie (GB), 6.84; 3, U. Hanni (WG), 6.96; 4, J. Wagner (WG), 7.01. 60m (Race B): 1, McFarlane, 6.81; 2, Lillie, 6.87; 3, Hanni, 6.93; 4, Wagner, 6.96. 400m: 1, J. Bunstain (WG), 48.9; 2, C. O'Neill (GB), 49.0; 3, C. Hamilton (GB), 49.2; 4, F. Jo Lohner (WG), 49.6. 800m: 1, A. Reibe (WG), Indr 51.1sec; 2, J. Goodacre (GB), 1.51.5; 3, T. Hollman (GB), 1.51.7; 4, P. Schiffe (WG), 1.53.0. 1,500m: 1, K. Newton (GB), 3.48.0; 2, E. Heim (WG), 3.48.5; 3, H. Van Papen (WG), 3.49.1; 4, T. Hutchings (GB), 3.49.5. 3,000m: 1, D. Coates (GB), 8.1.0; 2, S. Emson (GB), 8.8.9; 3, I. Seusburg (WG), 8.14.4; 4, M. Karst (WG), 8.16.6. 60m hurdles (Race A): 1, B. Price (GB), 7.93; 2, W. Mudere (WG), 8.0; 3, I. Ratcliffe (GB), 8.11; 4, G. Klein (WG), 8.14. 60m hurdles (Race B): 1, Price (GB), 7.93; 2, Mudere (WG), 8.03; 3, Klein (WG), 8.07; 4, Ratcliffe (GB), 8.08. 4 x 400m relay: 1, WG, 3.13.2; 2, GB, 3.16. Long jump: 1, J. Berger (WG), 25ft 0¾in; 2, J. Knipphals (WG), 24.11; 3, T. Henry (GB), 23.8½; 4, W. Kirkpatrick (GB), 23.11. High jump: 1, W. Wessig (WG), 7ft 5¼in; 2, K. Thranhardt (WG), 7ft 2¾in; 3, N. Naylor (GB), 7ft 2in; Butterfield (GB), 6ft 10¾in. Triple jump: 1, W. Kolmsee (WG), 52ft 2in; 2, D. Johnson (GB), 51.1½; 3, N. Connor (GB), 51.10; 4, R. Kick (WG), 49.11. Pole vault: 1, B. Hooper (GB), 17ft 2¾in; 2, K. Stock (GB), 16ft 4½in; 3, W. Mohr (WG), 16ft 0in; 4, H. Gedrat (WG), 15.9. Shot: 1, G. Capes (GB), 66.3½; 2, J. Forst (WG), 60.2½; 3, J. Krug (WG), 59.8½; 4, R. Dale (GB), 57.7½. Match result: Britain, 65½; W. Germany, 62½.

WOMEN: 60 metres (Race A): 1, R. Rumbo (GB), 7.43 secs; 2, E. Thomas (GB) 7.52; 3, S. Kempin (WG) 7.5½; 4, R. Meurer (WG) 7.75. 60m (Race B): 1, E. Thomas, 7.46; 2, Rumbo 7.51; 3, Kempin, 7.57; 4, Meurer, 7.70. 400m: 1, E. Eddy (GB) 55.0; 2, K. Williams (GB) 55.5; 3, E. Weinsteld (WG) 56.4; 4, S. Reghino (WG) 58.0. 800m: 1, V. Elder (GB) 2min 5.8sec; 2, B. Thews (WG) 2.8.3; 3, P. Lloyd (GB) 2.9.5; 4, L. Gorser (WG) 2.10.4. 1,500m: 1, B. Kraus (WG) 4.40.9; 2, G. Daisly (GB) 4.24.4; 3, V. Manz (WG) 4.25.6; 4, C. Hanson (GB) 4.39.0. 60m hurdles (Race A): 1, L. Boone (GB) 8.24; 2, S. Kempin (WG) 8.29; 3, S. Caines (GB) 8.31; 4, U. Schalick (WG) 8.80. 60m hurdles (Race B): 1, Boone (GB) 8.5; 2, S. Kempin 8.3; 3, Caines 8.6; 4, Schalick 8.7. 4 x 200 relay: 1, GB 1.37.7; 2, WG disqualified. Long jump: 1, A. Weinhardt (WG) 21ft 4¾in; 2, S. Reeve (GB) 20.6½; 3, K. Hamel (WG) 20.9; 4, G. Rosen (GB) 19.9. High jump: 1, G. Hehn (WG) 6ft 0¾in; Niermack (WG) 5.11½; 3, C. Hilcken (GB) 5.11½; 4, L. Hayham (GB) 5.7. Shot: 1, J. Oakes (GB) 54.11½; 2, M. Gresser (WG) 52.8; 3, A. Littlewood (GB) 52.0; 4, U. Romge (WG) 48.6½. Match result: Britain 55, W. Germany 40.

Cross-country

Coupland romps home to third Southern title

Neil Coupland, a 24-year-old civil servant, took the Southern cross-country title for the third time at Parliament Hill Fields on Saturday. He went ahead after four of the nine miles and romped home in 44min 57sec. The early leader, Peter Standing, of Windsor, held off Dave Bedford for second place but Bedford led his club, Shaftesbury Harriers, to the team title.

The Northern event went to Steve Kenyon, a 26-year-old engineer from Bolton, who has always been a leading challenger since finishing second in 1973. His time of 37min 41sec over the seven and a half miles was nine seconds faster than Michael Baxter, of Leeds. The reigning champion, Alwyn Dewhirst, was third, but his club, Airedale, were the team winners.

In the Midlands Dave Black, of Small Heath, scored a 28sec victory over Wolverhampton's John Wheway. The two men dominated and Black got home in 39min 30sec over six miles. Tipton had six runners in the first 24 and were team victors.

Kevin Steer, of Cambridge and Coleridge, had an easy win in the Eastern event at Lincoln, winning by nearly two minutes in 45min 35sec. His club won the team event with 53pts. Results:

MIDLAND (Birmingham, 6 miles): 1, D. Black (Small Heath), 39min. 30sec; 2, J. Wheway (Wolverhampton), 39min 58sec; 3, T. Coulton (Wolverhampton), 40min 30sec. Team: Tipton, 63pts.

NORTHERN (Birkenhead, 7½ miles): 1, S. Kenyon (Bolton), 37min 41sec; 2, M. Baxter (Leeds), 37min 50sec; 3, A. Dewhirst (Airedale), 37min 56sec. Team: Airedale, 128pts.

SOUTHERN (Parliament Hill Fields, 9 miles): 1, N. Coupland (Southampton and Eastleigh), 44min 57sec; 2, P. Standing (Windsor, Slough and Eton), 45min 19sec; 3, D. Bedford (Shaftesbury Harriers), 45min 26sec. Team: Thames Valley Harriers, 208pts.

EASTERN (Lincoln): 1, K. Steer (Cambridge and Coleridge), 45min 35sec; 2, M. Shiblok (Bedford and County), 47min 12sec; 3, K. Clifford (Cambridge and Coleridge), 47min 19sec. Team: Cambridge and Coleridge, 83pts.

Skiing

N Americans turn World Cup form upside down

Chamonix, Feb 12.—North American skiers yesterday gained sweet revenge for a thin season in Europe. They won both the men's downhill and slalom World Cup events here and leaving the world champions standing.

First Ken Read and Dave Murray finished first and second in the downhill, and then Phil Mahre with a superb second run beat the Cup holder, Ingemar Stenmark, of Sweden, in the slalom by the astonishing margin of more than one and a half seconds. Ironically their successes came as the "white circus"—the hundreds of skiers, coaches and officials who make up the World Cup circuit—were preparing to cross the Atlantic for the next Cup events at Stratton Mountain, Vermont, early in March.

The biggest losers were the powerful Austrian team, who today looked like so many paper tigers. The first Austrian to finish was Werner Grissmann in fourth place, behind West Germany's Michael Veith. The new world champion in the discipline, Josef Walcher, could only manage sixth place.

A measure of the Austrian discomfiture was the performance of Franz Klammer, the dominant downhill figure from 1974 to 1977 and gold medal winner at the Innsbruck Olympics. Klammer could only finish thirteenth, more than two seconds behind Read. There were few possible excuses. The 3,600-metre Mont Blanc course with its 886-metre drop was in good condition, although visibility was limited.

Other skiers less illustrious than the Austrians coped with the conditions better. France's 25-year-old Patrice Pellat-Finet, who failed to gain a single World Cup point last season, beat Walcher to take fifth place.

The downhill should have been run yesterday, but had to be postponed because of gale-force winds gusting across the mountain. The wind died down overnight and light snow was falling when the 59 slalom entrants made their first run down the 600 metres Planards course with its 179-metre drop and 75 gates.

Stenmark flashed down the course in 1:00.29 to set the best time. But two minutes later it was Mahre's turn and the 20-year-old from White Pass, Washington, caused gasps as he finished six hundredths of a second ahead of the world champion.

The second leg, however, was a revelation. Stenmark, going fourth, finished in 59.56 only for Mahre to roar in with an unanswerable 58.03, one and a half seconds faster than anyone else in the race.

MEN'S SLALOM: 1, P. Mahre (US), 1min 58.26sec; 2, I. Stenmark (Sweden), 1:59.85; 3, P. Dechiesa (Italy), 2:00.40; 4, M. Brunner (Austria), 2:00.91; 5, A. Morgenstern (Austria), 2:01.08; equal 6, P. Frommelt (Liechtenstein), and C. Neureuther (W Germany), 2:01.38.

MEN'S DOWNHILL: 1, K. Read (Canada), 2:08.11; 2, D. Murray (Canada), 2:08.27; 3, M. Veith (W Germany), 2:08.46; 4, W. Grissmann (Austria), 2:09.10; 5, P. Pellat-Finet (France), 2:09.22; 6, J. Walcher (Austria), 2:09.40. British placings: 45, D. Campll, 3:14.19; 58, R. McKee (Ireland), 2:21.18.

WORLD CUP (to date): 1, Stenmark, 150 pts; 2, K. Heiddeger (Austria), 95; 3, Mahre, 90; 4, A. Wenzel (Liechtenstein), 74; 5, P. Plank (Italy), 70; 6, Walcher, 65.—Reuter.

Boxing

Green or Benitez next in line for Palomino

Las Vegas, Feb 12.—A title defence against Wilfredo Benitez, of Puerto Rico, or David Green, of Britain, could be next on the schedule for Carlos Palomino, the World Boxing Council welterweight champion. He disposed of Ryu Sorimachi, of Japan, with a devastating left hook here yesterday. Benitez, is the WBC's No 1 contender and Green is ranked No 3.

Palomino, a 28-year-old Mexican, has already met Green and stopped him in 11 rounds in London last June. Jackie McCoy, Palomino's manager, said after yesterday's contest: "Green's a good possibility but we have a mandatory title defence in June, and if Benitez is still No 1 I guess it will be him.

"But he has to worry about Duran. If he can't beat a lightweight, I don't see how he can fight a welterweight." The Madison Square Garden in New York has signed Duran to meet Benitez on April 27 but Benitez has not yet agreed terms.

Palomino's superior punching power made the difference in yesterday's match. Sorimachi, aged 30, boxed well and courageously whilte it lasted but Palomino, usually a slow starter, gradually gained momentum and almost stopped the challenger in the sixth round. Sorimachi lasted the round only to fall victim to Palomino's paralysing left hook in the seventh.

The punch dumped Sorimachi on his back and he was motionless for seven seconds. Then he rolled slowly on to his side but was still horizontal when the referee's count reached 10. The end came after two minutes and three seconds of the round and it took four minutes for a doctor to revive Sorimachi.

Palomino said that he finished with a sore right hand. Mr McCoy commented: "He has some chips off his knuckle. Three specialists have said that it will probably always be a problem but I don't think it is a big problem. The swelling usually goes in about a week." Palomino added: "That's why I never fight non-title bouts."—Reuter.

Waith has the talent to deliver goods

Billy Waith, up at 4 am every working day to see that his customers have their fresh supply of bread, wants to deliver his own specially packaged brand of goods at the Civic Hall, Barnsley, tonight. The 27-year-old Welshman is out to wrest the British welterweight title from Lamon's Henry Rhiney.

Waith, with more than 50 bouts in a seven year professional career, has fought title eliminators at four different weights, a record in British boxing, according to his manager, Mac Williams. Each one provided ample evidence of Waith's skill. He went the full distance against Howard Hayes at featherweight in 1972, lost on points to Jim Watt at lightweight in 1974, and two years later was stopped one round short of the distance in a marvellous battle with Dave Green, at light-welterweight. It was in his fourth elimination, last June, that he knocked out Steve Angell (Hemel Hempstead), to gain his chance against Rhiney.

"We have been waiting a long time for this title chance but good things are always worth waiting for", Mr Williams said. "Billy realizes that a chance at a British title may never come again, so he has had to make sure this time."

Waith has more than once been criticized for neglecting his gym work, but not this time. He has had about a hundred rounds of sparring, at least a third of them against Pat Thomas, the man Rhiney stopped in eight rounds to win the title 14 months ago. Rhiney, a 26-year-old car worker, has also notched up a century in sparring and is ready to go the full 15 rounds if necessary.

Finnegan bout delayed

Boston, Feb 11.—Kevin Finnegan's bout with an American middleweight, Marvin Hagler, scheduled for today has been postponed until next week because of heavy snow here, the promoters said. No precise date has been set for the bout.—Reuter.

Coquito's Prince fails narrowly

Coquito's Prince, ridden by John Reid, was a fast-finishing fourth in the Prix de l'Herault over nine and a half furlongs at Cagnes-sur-Mer yesterday. The Ben Hanbury-trained four-year-old was beaten about half a length, by Mijet, Chemin de Fer and Bolo Chop-Chop (Michael Miller) and Man of Harlech (Henri Rossi), the other English hopes in this race, could not cope with the heavy ground and finished well in the rear. Celebrated, also ridden by Rossi for John Dunlop, was close up for a long way in the £3,890 Prix Joseph Collignon, but dropped out in the final stages.

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who leaves for England or Gavin Hunter next is on two of the five ut Cave took the indi-mpionship, by dint of ds and a third. He was also champion in 1976. Starkey, who rode a second and two thirds, was third overall with 16 points. Hide contributed nine from one-third and one-fourth. The other three winners were ridden by a Canadian pair, Hugo Dittfach and Lloyd Duffy, and by Freddie Head, of France.

A downpour on Friday afternoon, when two inches of rain fell in an hour, made conditions difficult and stormy weather kept the crowd to 12,000, about half its expected level. The 12 jockeys who took part in this contest will be in action again at Greyville racecourse, Durban, in a four-race competition next Saturday.

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one to concede the penalty stroke which decided the match early in the second half. His feet came in the way of a follow-up shot from a short corner by Law, a substitute, and Mobbs converted the award.

Spirited efforts by England to save the game were frustrated by the stubborn Hertfordshire defenders, but there was one occasion on which Saini and Evans should have scored between them. Long did get the ball in the net once from a short corner but the shot was dangerous and disallowed. England drew 2—2 on Saturday with Southgate in a game of quality.

ENGLAND XI: I. C. B. Taylor; P. J. Barker, D. B. Whitaker (sub: I. A. Thomson); P. C. Freise, R. J. Cotton, N. R. Saldanha, S. S. Khohar, I. S. McGinn, R. H. Brookeman (sub G. J. Evans); A. K. McGinn (sub. B. S. Saini), S. R. L. Long.

HERTFORDSHIRE: G. Wells; D. V. Gallson, C. Perry, P. Brooker, C. Eaton, R. H. Morgan, R. Ashby, M. Swayne, S. Guyton, P. Hazell, R. Mobbs.

Umpires: G. Nash (Northern Counties) and R. C. Beaty (Southern Counties).

In the match against Surrey, England led 4—0 at half-time through goals by Long (short corner) Brookeman, Saini and Thomson. Alistair McGinn scored the fifth midway in the second half.

SURREY: R. L. Barker; A. Tyrrell, J. Parsons, R. von Rolbnitz, A. Dodds, B. Griffiths, D. Taylor, C. Hockell, G. N. Francis, A. Keenlyside, D. Francis.

Bangalore, Feb 12.—Pakistan scored a 3—2 victory over India in the second hockey international between the two countries here today. Pakistan lead 2—0 in the four match series.

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Miss Newman conceded only three points in her first two games with Mrs Diggens on Saturday. But the pace then slackened and Mrs Diggens began to find the mark with short volleys.

Yesterday Mrs Diggens looked to be suffering some reaction from her match with Miss Newman. She made 21 errors, too many of them unforced. Miss Hoffman did not need such gratuities. She hit 20 winners, mostly on the forehand—though on this flank she also tended to hit down without cause. A feature of her game was her ability to make the ball cling to her forehand wall.

Miss Cogswell is fit, agile and is using her wealth of punishing shots with such discretion and versatility that there is reason to hope the British championship will stay at home for the first time since 1961. Though by no means playing safe, she scored 11 points before making her first error against Mrs Buckingham, a shrewd competitor who has been playing well but, yesterday, never had a chance to do so. The New Zealander was continually hurried and harried, continually made to stretch and stoop—or watch helplessly as Miss Cogswell buried the ball in some distant corner.

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Boone counts the points as Prenn loses grip

By Our Rackets Correspondent

William Boone, a stalwart left-hander, regained the amateur rackets singles championship after a riveting and competitive final at Queen's Club, London, yesterday. In just over an hour and a half he beat his principal rival in this country, John Prenn, by 15—4, 17—16, 11—15, 12—15 15—5, but after losing a 9—4 lead in the fourth game the odds in his favour slumped.

It says a lot for Boone's fighting spirit that he won eventually against a player who, in purely technical terms, is probably a better player. And it must be accepted that Prenn suffered cramp in his racket wrist after about nine hands had been played in the final game (the score was 5—4 to Boone at the time)

Temperamentally, here were two totally different characters and it is questionable which was, or is, the more appealing. Boone, flamboyantly aggressive, was excitable and sometimes chatty to the extent of frenetically counting the points he needed for victory and, on occasions, voluably disputing the referee. Prenn remained emotionless from start to finish.

One probable answer is that Boone has to pitch body and soul into a match of this nature whereas Prenn, whose father was a notably phlegmatic and dogged Davis Cup tennis player in between the wars, has inherited some of that quality.

The drama began in the second game when Boone, at 14—11, hit down a half volley and then, with Prenn at 13—14, broke his racket. Immediately Prenn, with two winning services, went to game point 16—14. Boone displaced him but failed to improve his score. Prenn had a second game point and Boone beat him with a forehand angle shot to a length. Prenn then had a third game point and Boone made a winning service return and then took the game.

Boone's play became over-exaggerated. He served badly from the left court and hit too furiously and too high in the rallies. He also began to hit down occasional strokes, sometimes important ones, including one disastrously at 11—9, through being in too much of a hurry. Prenn stayed with his rival and reaped his reward not only in the third game but also in the fourth in which he trailed 4—9. Prenn also brought his overhead service, the one that spins alarmingly, back into action and had Boone struggling. At the start Boone had no trouble with his service but by now he was becoming slower.

The end came, however, when Boone, moderating his service and his game generally, made a run of six from 5—4 to 11—4 in the final game. It was then clear that Prenn was having trouble with gripping his racket though he gave little indication of that fact. These two fine players have a chance to resolve their rivalry in the Louis Roederer British open championship at Queen's Club next month. This year so far Boone leads Prenn by two wins to none. But Prenn remains the open champion.

FINAL: W. R. Boone beat J. A. N. Prenn 15—4, 17—16, 11—15, 12—15, 15—8.

Banned for bad language

A rugby player alleged to have used disgusting language to a referee and to have spit at him has been banned *sine die* by the Gloucestershire RFU disciplinary committee. He is Michael Herbert, of Coney Hill, a local Gloucester club, who has been sent off on previous occasions.

The club itself, which had two other players, Alan Sremer and Eamonn Herbert, also suspended for foul play, were severely censured by the disciplinary committee and warned as to its future conduct.

It is rare for a player to be suspended *sine die*; but George Wright, the county secretary who is on the disciplinary committee, said: "We do not want such players in our game. Such behaviour will not be tolerated nor will that of the clubs, to whom we have issued a very stern warning. None of the players were ready to help the referee and were unwilling to gave the names of the offenders to him".

Rugby League

Officials ponder what to do about the draw

All 13 Rugby League Cup first round ties scheduled for yesterday were postponed because of bad weather. Only one fixture was completed at the weekend, Leeds beating Halifax 25—5 at Headingley on Saturday.

Rugby League officials were deciding last night whether to put back the second round draw, planned for this evening, for two or three days. The press officer, David Howes, said yesterday: "It seems pointless to go ahead with the draw tomorrow with so many games undecided."

The rearrangement of the Cup games has caused two first division fixtures to be postponed. They are Wigan's home game against Workington on Monday night, and the Wednesday afternoon match between Featherstone Rovers and Leeds. The rearranged ties settled so far, with kick-off times where fixed, are:

Tuesday, February 21: Salford v Bramley (7.30); St Helens v Hovlan (7.30); Whitehaven v Wakefield: February 15; Blackpool v Huddersfield (5.0); Dewsbury Celtic v Wigan, at Batley (5.30); Leigh v Featherstone Rovers (7.30); Oldham v Doncaster (7.30); Swinton v Batley (7.30); Workington v Keighley; York v Warrington (5.0).

Swimming

Miss Davies and Harrison set British records

Paris, Feb 12.—Sharron Davies and Stephen Harrison set British short-course backstroke records at the Tbt international swimming meeting here today. Miss Davies aged 15, from Plymouth, was second fastest in the women's 100 metres backstroke heats with a British record time of 1min 5.76sec. Harrison was third fastest in the men's 100-metres backstroke heats in a British best of 1:00.1.

Yesterday Miss Davies won the 200 metres individual medley in 2:17.77 despite a strong challenge from the two Americans, Diane Johnson and Janet Buchan. She was fastest in the 400 metres individual medley heats today in 4:55.55 with Miss Buchan second fastest in an American record of 4:55.79.

Walnuts crack team

Walnuts Sports Centre, from Orpington, won the nationwide sportswomen competition, sponsored by Tate and Lyle, on Saturday and earned themselves £1,000 for sports equipment. Walnuts beat Concord, of Sheffield.

Tennis

Last-minute search for a new captain

Ann Jones, the 1969 Wimbledon champion, appointed captain of Britain's women's team in the BP Cup series of under-21 tennis internationals, starting at the Palace Hotel, Torquay, today, was taken to hospital in Birmingham on Saturday night because of complications with her third baby, which she is expecting in seven weeks' time. Mrs Jones's illness forced a last-minute search for a new captain for the side.

John Barrett, organiser of the competition, which features 42 top under-21 players from nine countries, said there were two possible solutions. One was to wait for the arrival, from Yugoslavia tonight, of Paul Hutchins, the international team manager, who is to take charge of the men's team.

Yachting

Tabarly could compete in final leg

Paris, Feb 11.—Eric Tabarly, disqualified from the Round the World Race, might compete in the fourth and final leg from Rio de Janeiro to Portsmouth.

The Frenchman was disqualified because his yacht, Pen Duick, has a revolutionary uranium keel which precludes her from receiving a rating certificate. He said today that he would take part in the final leg if the French yachting federation asked him to. "If the French federation tell me I should be at the starting line in Rio I will be there," he said.

The race committee invited the Frenchman, who won the third leg from Auckland to Rio, to sail with the rest of the fleet back to Portsmouth. He flew back to Paris earlier in the week.—Agence France-Presse.

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Times Interviews

Jack Jones looks back on 50 years at work

Tough and determined though he appears in public, Mr Jack Jones—who retires next month at 65 after eight years as general secretary of the Transport and General Workers' Union—is known as an extremely affable and engaging fellow when away from the podium. Certainly he was all disarming, relaxed charm when he gave me some valedictory thoughts at Transport House the other day. The grey eyes behind the gold-rimmed glasses twinkled reassuringly. He wore a striped grey suit and cream shirt with a green striped tie which, like his cuff links and a small lapel badge, bore the emblem of the TGWU's 2,000,000 members. No identity problems there.

It is a measure of the respect and affection which Mr Jones widely enjoys that a day-long rally is being held at the Royal Festival Hall later this month to mark his retirement. Mr Callaghan will attend.

In addition to becoming a Companion of Honour, Mr Jones has, more predictably, received various public appointments. One, to a part-time post on the board of the heavily-overdrawn Crown Agents, interests him for its contacts with developing countries; another, to the Royal Commission on Criminal Procedure, because he was a magistrate as well as a union official during his 24 years in Coventry up to 1963.

But the bulk of his time he intends to devote to the cause of pensioners, which he began to champion many years before his own retirement loomed. He hopes to coordinate the various campaigning movements and help create an effective lobby. There are 9,000,000 pensioners, he points out. That is a lot of votes which could become a powerful influence if a reasonable proportion could be mobilized (shades of the United States "Grey Panthers").

He was pleased that the basic state pension had since 1975 been linked to wages and prices, something for which he had long campaigned. He believed it should next be fixed at half average earnings, which would increase the present rate (for a married couple) from £28 to £36. He would also be pressing for a substantially increased Christmas bonus—"the only thing, no, one of the few things I ever got out of Ted Heath"—and for an increase in pensioners' income tax allowance.

Mr Jones expects to succumb to the temptation for the retiring elder statesman to write a book or two. Perhaps, he mused, one would be on the "tremendous" transformation in the industrial relations scene, marked by a decline in the dominance of management and the "amazing" growth of the shop steward movement, as he calls it. He would probably give some lectures, and use the material for a book.

For relaxation he looks forward to a lot of walking, some fishing, and spending six weeks to two months a year with his wife Evelyn at their caravan on the South Devon coast, near one of their two sons (both are teachers) and three of their four grandchildren.

He would also like to travel as a tourist to some of those places where he has called for crowded two-day official visits: Mexico, Switzerland and Austria, for instance, but also Scotland, Wales and Ireland—"again mountains and sea", he said with an anticipatory sigh.

Duty has taken him to most European countries and around the Middle East: he has talked to President Sadat in Cairo, to President Boumedienne in Algiers. The other day he was in Cuba, which he found very interesting. "What they have done in comparison with some Caribbean and South American countries



is quite impressive", he commented, "for example, in education and the elimination of begging. You have to judge it against its own background. There is a lot to be desired in areas like factory safety and health, indeed in methods of production".

He hopes to remain active in the international trade union field, and believes that developed countries may have to reduce their own expectations to help developing countries. But he is unhappy at the idea of more western jobs being lost because of imports of manufactured goods from the Third World. Better, he felt, to help poor countries towards self-sufficiency than to produce more goods for export "by exploiting people".

James Larkin Jones, son of a Liverpool docker, started rising young. Leaving school at 14, he was the local ward secretary of the Labour Party at 15, delegate to the Liverpool trades council at 17, and at 23 the city's youngest councillor. His trade union career was punctuated by service with the International Brigade during the Spanish Civil War, when he was wounded in the Ebro battle.

Looking back on those 50 working years, he sees the "main thing" not so much in the dramatic improvement in working conditions as in the transformation of the trade union movement from something rather weak and thinly organized into a substantial democratic movement based on his cherished shop steward system. "In any plant you go to today, you feel the influence of the trade union movement", he said with pride.

"In the process, of course, there was a lot of change in working conditions. There was the introduction of the five-day week, first agreed in 1946, which I had a lot to do with. Then one must remember that holidays with pay were not general among manual workers. One paid week came in just after the last war, two weeks in the early 1950s. More recently it was three weeks, and now generally it is four."

It is less satisfactory to be leaving at a time when unemployment is above 1,500,000, and particularly high among school-leavers. He sees the growth—and acceptance—of technology as the main underlying cause. In sector after sector more work is being done with less labour, he points out. In mining and the docks for example, the labour force has been halved or more. Automation and computerization have had the same effect in manufacturing industry. A big firm like ICI lost a percentage of its labour force every year through wastage, and did not replace it even though the firm was expanding, he said.

The best remedy, he believes, would be a shorter working week. This would promote more efficient working methods, thus counteracting the inflationary effects of taking on additional labour. But if some work-sharing were necessary, that would be better than a continued growth in unemployment.

Naturally he would like to see more labour-intensive and small-scale industries (well unionized, of course, he added with a laugh), and more satisfying work. Cooperatives, like Meriden, were a step in that direction. But to survive against Japanese competition, say, was not easy without import controls, which might be needed.

He has been distressed by some press treatment of the labour scene. "There has been a tendency for sections of the popular press and of the television media to sensationalize every little incident. This has created a wrong idea of what British industry is really like: 21,000,000 British workers did not take part in a strike last year, and 98 per cent of firms in manufacturing industry have not had a strike in the past few years."

Mr Jones asked not to be thought complacent. He had long argued that people should try to negotiate and resolve their differences rather than walk out, and believed strongly that the Advisory, Conciliation and Arbitration Service (Acas) should be strengthened. But what the news media reported about disputes so often represented only the tip of the iceberg, the deeper cause of grievances remaining submerged (often, one suspects, the sheer tedium and misery of the job).

He thought most of the 300,000-odd shop stewards did a very good job oiling the wheels of industry—"it's always the bad that's sensationalized"—and saw no advantages in West Germany's work councils, whose members are elected by all workers, *including non-union members, and must by law* be consulted by management on a wide range of sensitive issues.

Big firms like ICI, Cadbury-Schweppes or Metal Box had their own highly developed systems of consultation with shop stewards, he said. "You tell me the firm, I'll tell you the system."

He sees a need for legal obligations on employers in fields like unfair dismissals and safety regulations. But in general he is against coercion, and is opposed to any quasi-permanent wages policy. Employers and unions must adjust their minds to working out acceptable agreements. "We don't go on the rampage to force a company into bankruptcy.

"Naturally it is our job to negotiate the best deal in the circumstances. But I think the average British worker wants his firm to be successful, and is proud of the product he has made. Often, however, management doesn't encourage workers to understand the company's problems."

As for the political power so often attributed to him, he thought it greatly exaggerated. "It is foolish to suggest that a trade unionist is an all-powerful man, greater than the government. But a trade union leader tries to negotiate with employers over certain issues, and makes representations to government on issues affecting labour": like tax, for example, where he is for a reduction in direct taxes but against a shift to the indirect taxation of any but luxury goods, since it would hit the poor harder than the rich.

In general he thought people used labels like "left-wing" too freely. Certainly he could see no creeping domination of trade unions by the far left. "Most active trade union leaders are adherents of the Labour Party, and would regard themselves as socialists, but would want to keep the unions on a democratic course," he said, genially reassuring to the last.

Roger Berthoud

The music man for millions of children

Sir Robert Mayer was on the telephone when I arrived; he was talking to a friend in Caracas about a holiday he is about to take in Florida. Should he go on after to New York? There are people he must meet to discuss some new plans. The idea seems preposterous: Sir Robert is 98. And yet for the same reason that the title of his autobiographical pamphlet *My First Hundred Years* is not quite a jest—because you are convinced that this slight man, with his wit and his enthusiasm, in his neat grey suit, must be about to embark on a second, equally productive century—so the idea of a business trip across the world does not really appear absurd. The question is not whether he could do it; but whether it is worth doing.

Sir Robert, when he talks about himself, which he does with reluctance, speaks of a "middleman", a "musical planner", a "salesman in music". They are modest terms to describe 55 years of obsessive determination to bring music to children, an obsession sparked off by a hatred for all that is implied by the expression "musical appreciation", and by an attitude towards musical education that is, he says, a sure way of killing all love for music.

"As a bit of a Puritan myself, I wanted to get people to love and enjoy music in a country where pleasure is a sin", he says. The obsession created the Robert Mayer Concerts; it has probably also fashioned a totally new regard for music in several generations of British children.

Sir Robert started playing the piano himself at the age of five, taught by his mother. Third son of a liberal brewer, who, he says, was the man who persuaded Guinness to buy German hops, he was born and grew up in Mannheim, where music mattered. At eight he made his one public appearance as a concert pianist: he was so small he could not reach the pedals, a fact that impressed even the critics. His father was so fiercely opposed to a musical career, however, that he gave it up. In those days, he says, one revered and obeyed one's parents. "I wonder now", he adds, seemingly without regret, "whether it would have been better if I had had my own quartet, led the life of a gentleman who in his spare time plays the piano?"

His life could not have turned out more differently. In 1896, prodded on by his anti-Prussian father, he came to England, and worked for a year at the Stock Exchange. At 18 he began a highly successful career in the metal business which gave him the money to dream his musical dreams, and at 50, the freedom to retire and pursue them. In 1919 he married the singer Dorothy Moulton (a remarkable woman who became a popular writer in her seventies). She died four years ago. "She was the thinker", he says. "Now I am learning how to think."

Their partnership, her love of music and musical connexions, his singleminded



energy and what he calls Tolstoyan sense of duty began on the day they watched a concert in America, in which conductor and musicians explained to their audience of children exactly what they were doing. The Mayers brought the idea back to England and engaged the young Adrian Boult to conduct the first two concerts.

"When a child sees how a composer uses a piccolo or a trombone, he thinks: 'I want to do that.' It all fits particularly well into the British character: pragmatism." Sir Robert talks very fast, in short staccato bursts, with little digs of irony, and agreeable self-mockery. He explains how the Mayers decided that the way to bring children to concerts was not to lure them individually but to capture the imagination of schools.

So they travelled up and down the country talking to teachers. The result was three concerts in 1923; 65 by the time war broke out; what he guesses may by now be a total of more than 1,500,000 children or spectators.

Sir Robert's plans to carry his concerts on to include older children were broken by the war (he was knighted in 1938, made a Companion of Honour in 1973). He spent the time studying juvenile delinquency, and produced a book about it, for a time the London School of Economics textbook on the subject. He says that were he not busy on other things now he would like to write a second book about disturbed children, since nothing seems to have improved.

After the war he returned to his "first love—music", and to a scheme he had long been hatching. He saw that older children needed music that they did not regard as "kids' stuff", possibly even *exactly the same music as grown-ups, but* made possible by special booking systems and cheap season tickets. Cheap, but not free: Sir Robert is a strong believer in the maxim that people do not appreciate things that cost nothing. And he wanted to get young people into the habit, a habit they would with luck keep all their lives, of buying season tickets for a whole series of concerts.

So he approached Sadler's Wells and bought four performances. "They were a great success. I bought another two. Then I went to Covent Garden and the London Philharmonic Orchestra and said: you give me a number of seats and I'll bring the audiences. And we did." Of his own personal fortune spent in the process all he will say is: "Other men spent their money on chorus girls. I got my fun from the concerts."

If he belittles his own role in bringing it about, Sir Robert never fails to praise his adopted country for what he calls the miracle of its musical Renaissance. England, he points out, has the Arts Council, the BBC, Covent Garden, Glyndebourne; London alone has four big orchestras. And yet, being a man of seemingly inexhaustible dreams, he longs for more. "The near monopoly of music held in Germanic countries for 200 years may be drawing to a close", he says. "England should take on the mantle". A conservatoire for advanced musical studies, launched by the EEC and set up in England would, he says, provide the "spiritual counterpart to Monnet's materialistic ideals."

Sir Robert is also still actively working to extend Youth and Music throughout the country, as part of a team of advisers to the Arts Council. The only concession he appears to make to his age is that he no longer goes to the office: they come to him.

Sitting slightly hunched up by his desk, with his bushy white hair and slightly Punch-like features, he talks and talks, in a voice just touched by a foreign accent, producing ideas and observations, reminiscences and plans, all of them requiring energy and concentration. Music teachers are grossly underpaid; they should be paid more. People who go to concerts *should look at the programme*, not the names of the performers: there is too much sensationalism abroad. The private sector must be given a chance to help the arts. Occasionally he pauses, says, abruptly, "Ask me a question". Then he is off again.

In the hall of his rather sombre flat just off Harley Street is a scuffed leather Visitors' Book. The first entry is Bela Bartok, 1923. After him come Schnabel, Furtwängler, Bruno Walter, Milhaud, and many more, page after page of signatures in fading ink, a musical history of recent times. He points to it with pride, but also with a certain wistfulness, "I find great difficulty in getting young musicians to visit me now", he says. "If only they knew *what a favour they would be doing me.*" With his courteous, old world charm and his sharp humour, it is hard to see how anyone could resist the pleasure.

Caroline Moorehead

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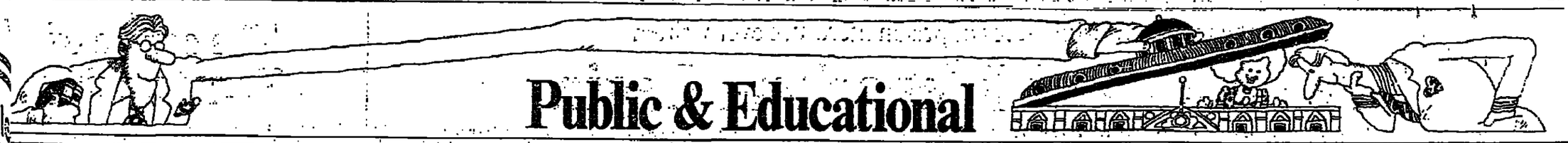
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Further particulars obtainable from the Registrar, University of Birmingham, P.O. Box 363, Birmingham, B15 2TT, to whom applications (12 copies; 2 copy from overseas applicants; names of three referees should be sent by 20 March 1978.

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Other particulars and a form of application may be obtained from the Senior Assistant Registrar, Medical School, Queen's Medical Centre, Nottingham NG7 2UH, to whom completed applications should be returned by the 4th March, 1978.

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Further details and application forms are available from the Secretary, The British Academy, Burlington House, Piccadilly, London W1V 0NS. (Tel. 01-734 0457)

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The salary at the University of Nairobi will be on the scale KE1,800 x 108 - KE2,916 under review) £1,200 equals approx. KE0.75). The British Government may supplement the salary in the range £3,333-£5,618 for married appointees or £2,184-£2,400 for single appointees (normally free of all tax) and provide children's educational allowances, and holiday visit passages. Family passages; baggage allowance; biennial overseas leave; inducement allowance 30 per cent gratuity, and return visit at end of each four year tour plus various allowances. Detailed applications (2 copies) with curriculum vitae and naming 3 referees to be sent to Registrar, University of Nairobi, P.O. Box 30197, Nairobi, Kenya, by 7 March 1978. Applicants resident in U.K. should send one copy to Inter University Council, 90/91 Tottenham Court Road, London W1P 0DT. Further details may be obtained from either address.

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Salary within range £3,333-£5,627, per annum, with superannuation.

Further particulars of these appointments may be obtained from the Secretary to the University, Aberdeen, with whom applications (two copies) should be lodged by 31 March, 1978.

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Applications close on 1 May, 1978

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ESTATES DEPARTMENT

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Applicants must be registered medical practitioners with appropriate experience of general practice (preferably, but not necessarily, in the context of a university health service) and should be able to demonstrate administrative and leadership qualities appropriate to a director of a large university health service. Experience of, and interest in, other aspects of medicine relevant to such a service, e.g. psychiatry and occupational health, would be an advantage.

The salary for the post will be related to the clinical professorial scale currently £9,423-£10,420-£11,209 + London allowance £450. Superannuation under USS (or FSSU if already in membership). The successful candidate will be expected to take up the post not later than 1 October 1978, but to be available at least a month earlier.

Further particulars and application form (for return by 3 March 1978) from:

M. J. Davies, Esq., Secretary,
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which will become vacant on the retirement of the present holder on 31st December 1978. The successful candidate will, however, be expected to commence duties at the beginning of September 1978. A wide experience of administration and finance is necessary, and candidates should be between the ages of 35 and 50.

Further particulars are obtainable from The Bursar, Felsted School, Nr. Gt. Dunmow, Essex.

Applications, with curriculum vitae and the names and addresses of two referees, should be sent by 15th March to the Clerk to the Governors, Felsted School, Felsted.

University of Nairobi—Kenya

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One of the most powerful pieces of prison literature ever written

The making of Menachem Begin

All the world knows that the Prime Minister of Israel is a brave, defiant, and sometimes difficult and stubborn man. Some of the world emphasizes the gentle and almost antique courtesy of his private manner at the expense of the deep and often strident rhetoric of his public personality. Nobody, friend or enemy, doubts his obvious and powerful personal, religious, and racial self-confidence.

It is written plain in the career of a man who spent 30 years in opposition without ever doubting that he would one day lead his country, and that, probably, at a climax of her existence.

And, if anybody is tempted to see that belief as the conviction of a fanatic or a lunatic—for all that it came true—he has only to look at the number of gifted men and women whom Mr Begin persuaded to stick with him in the wilderness, to be shamed.

Nonetheless, the sources of his faith, the particular anvil on which his personality was beaten out, remain somewhat obscure.

Most people — perhaps through the medium of his book *Revolt*, know, to the point of tedium, Mr Begin's record as the leader of Irgun Zvai Leumi in the fight to end the British mandate in Palestine; and most are vaguely aware that he had a difficult time in Poland before he went to live and work and fight in Palestine.

What is much less well known is the record of his years in Stalinist prisons, and particularly his time in a Siberian correctional labour (for which read "concentration") camp. Yet that, I believe, was the period in which Menachem Begin was tried and formed.

And, surely, any man could be forgiven the conviction that God had set him aside for a particular and important mission in life if, sentenced to eight years in Siberia in 1940, told by his interrogator that "you will not see the Jewish state", told by fellow prisoners that the supposed date of his release—September 20. 1948—was a fiction, that nobody ever left the camps alive, he nonetheless found himself behind the microphone of a secret radio station in Tel Aviv on May 15, 1948 telling his followers that, "In bloody battle, in a war of liberation, the State of Israel has arisen."

He did not have to become Prime Minister for his career to be improbable, perhaps unimaginable outside the pages of romantic fiction. That he did become Prime Minister is something that puts the seal on a life—a heroic life—beside which Churchill's seems an effortless and assured progress to triumph.

The dread years from Mr Begin's arrest in Vilna to his release from Siberia are chronicled in his driving, urgent, powerful, humorous and idiosyncratic book *White Nights*, which is, alas, very little known.

The book has a very special, and dramatic, flavour.

Mr Begin has an eye, if I may put it this way, for the significance of the apparently inconsequential. Thus, for example, when living—50 or so to a cell—in Lukishki prison he noticed that the barbers sent in to trim the hair of the prisoners and shave them refused to engage in even minimal conversation with their charges, and he comments: "We discovered another wonder of the world in Lukishki—silent barbers".

But the very plangency of the humour with which the book is filled brings out, even more than its more obviously powerful passages, the horrors of an inhuman confinement.

Still, it is the combination of Mr Begin's emotional nature, objective mind and Biblical roots that enables him to achieve his most striking and moving insights.

Thus, in his account of how even the cowed and starved prisoners went on hunger strike against an endless diet of *kasha* (a particularly revolting cereal dish, served both as soup and as solid food) he stands back from the horror, and quotes from the Book of Numbers, "Ye shall eat not one day, nor two days, nor five days, neither ten days, nor twenty days; but even a whole month, until it come out at your nostrils. . . ."

He had always, he says, thought of that passage as containing a particularly vivid, but doubtless metaphorical, figure of speech—until, after two



months, the *kasha* literally came out of their nostrils.

The conviction the story carries comes from the way he puts together the loathsomeness of the experience, the high rhetoric of the Bible, and his own dry manner of recording.

However, important though it is to read *White Nights* (the phrase, by the way, has a double meaning, referring both to the endless daylight of the tundra, and to the interrogating practice of never allowing a prisoner darkness in which to sleep) for the light it throws on the history and character of one of the most central figures in world politics, it is even more important to read it for its analysis of conditions under communism.

At one point Mr Begin interrupts his narrative to offer an analysis of that philosophy and its effects on the lives of those who live under its rule. His account of a nation conceived as one vast prison camp is, to my mind, as powerful as anything Solzhenitsyn has ever written.

Prisoners break, he says, under ceaseless interrogation—one of his companions was examined for four years—"out of lack of sleep, out of an overwhelming desire to finish, to bring the mental torture to an end".

He describes the sheer, brutal irrationality of it all, the spectacle of bewildered communists themselves put on the rack, and observes, drily: "And there are none who lend themselves more easily to the application of the NKVD system of breaking the spirit of a man without harming him physically than communists and communist leaders."

For those of us outside the experience of this hell, who can neither imagine its rules applied to themselves nor fully appreciate what it has done to others, Mr Begin has a direct and startling reminder.

He tells of a Pole, convicted of crimes against the Soviet state, because he had once fought in the Polish army. And then he recounts a passage in his own interrogation.

He was defending his Zionist activities on the grounds that they were in the interests of his people and that, anyway, they took place in Poland, not Russia, and could not therefore be construed as an attack on the USSR.

Humorously and even gently, he says, the interrogator reminded him that he was charged under section 58 of the Soviet criminal code, and that that section, drafted by Lenin, "applies to everyone in the world." "It is only a question", the interrogator said, "of when he will get to us, or we to him." So far as I know, section 58, the crucial instrument of communism, has never been revised, even in these days of détente.

As the title has two meanings, so has the book. It is the story of how one Zionist was made, and a guide as well as a warning to those who would deal with him. It is a warning to all of us about the nature and ambition of a state "which imposes its criminal law . . . on every one of the two and a half billion human beings that inhabit the earth".

More than anything else, though, the narrative and the warning are fused together in what is, at the end, nothing less than one of the greatest pieces of prison literature in the world.

Patrick Cosgrave

Vallentine, Mitchell (1977) £6.50.

The centre of Tory thinking

It has taken the Conservatives a long time to live down the epithet of the stupid party that was first applied to them by John Stuart Mill more than a century and a quarter ago. Not that they showed any sign of wanting to escape from it for a long time. Until recently they regarded their pragmatism and lack of ideology as a major asset at the polls.

In the past two years, however, the Tories have abandoned their traditional antipathy to ideas. Under the leadership of Mrs Thatcher and in opposition to an increasingly pragmatic Labour Government, they have been forced to search deep into their souls to find a philosophy.

The Centre for Policy studies has been in the van of this movement to create a Conservative ideology. It was founded in September, 1974, by Sir Keith Joseph to turn the Tories away from the pragmatism and interventionism of the Heath years and to combat what he regarded as Britain's principal handicap, the national anti-enterprise culture.

Sir Keith conceived the Centre as providing a corrective to the collectivist and dirigiste ideas which have dominated British political and economic thought during the twentieth century and to the constant drift leftwards of the "middle ground" of political and public opinion which he saw as resulting from the Conservatives' acceptance of each new socialist measure.

The Centre is financed by about 60 companies which provide its annual budget of £80,000. It has a full-time staff of four, with five secretaries. The director of studies, Alfred Sherman, has been an adviser to Sir Keith Joseph for several years. He fought on the Republican side in the Spanish Civil War but later forsook the left out of "intellectual honesty". He is a speech writer for both Sir Keith and Mrs Thatcher.

Two and a half years after its foundation, the Centre is vigorously putting across the case for a free market economy. It has more than a dozen fairly substantial publications to its credit, including the celebrated *Bibliography of Freedom*, of which more than 10,000 copies have been distributed and which is now going into a second edition. On Saturday the Centre launched a series of weekend seminars for students which will continue throughout the year. Sir Keith Joseph will shortly address his one hundredth open meeting at a university or polytechnic.

The Centre claims to have influenced thinking on two major economic issues. Its research lay behind Sir Keith Joseph's speeches in 1974 arguing that governments rather than excessive wage settlements caused inflation and that the current unemployment figures overstated the extent of labour reserves and so encouraged over-hasty reflation.

Mr Gerald Frost, the secretary of the Centre, reckons that recent utterances by both Mr Callaghan and Mr Healey suggest that they now accept the primacy of excessive monetary growth as a cause of inflation. He also says that, following Sir Keith's speeches, the Department of Employment has improved the presentation of unemployment figures.

It is the economic benefits of monetarism and the market that seem to predominate in the Centre's thinking. It has recently commissioned a handbook for managers in industry setting out arguments in favour of competition and free enterprise to be used against socialist ideologues on the shop floor. Mr Frost insists, however, that the Centre is concerned to argue the moral as well as the material benefits of the free market and that it is not simply seeking a return to the abrasive capitalism of Slater Walker and Selsdon man.

Certainly moral and political themes bulk large in Sir Keith Joseph's speeches to students which are regarded as being among the Centre's most important instruments of influence. He invariably asks his audience whom they regard as the most important thinker in the history of the world, and invariably gets the answer Karl Marx. "Quite right", he retorts, "and of course he was kept by cotton manufacturer Carl Engels".

The Centre concentrates particularly on trying to influence students, academics and journalists because it believes that these alone are in a position to change the national climate of ideas which determines public opinion and political action. Next year it is hoping to organize an International University of the Open Society at Cambridge with right-wing libertarian intellectuals from Europe and America.

This uncompromisingly intellectual approach may be one reason why the Centre has apparently had little impact on the Tory rank and file, either inside or outside Parliament. It has no formal links with the party and is careful to avoid detailed policy proposals that would usurp the role of the research department at Central Office. Its contact with the Conservative Party is personal and comes almost entirely through Sir Keith Joseph, for whom the Centre is effectively a super research unit and who comes into its Westminster offices every day, and Mrs Thatcher, whose philosophical speeches are usually produced by the Centre.

The Centre may well have played a part in bringing about the undoubted movement in favour of individualism and free enterprise that has occurred recently in intellectual circles. It has helped to give a new philosophical dimension to conservatism as articulated by Mrs Thatcher.

Whether all this will be of any political benefit to the Tories is very doubtful. The Centre has not yet managed to wean the British electorate from its deep distrust of all ideology. Until it does so, a Conservative Party with an intellectual façade is unlikely to be much of a vote-catcher.

Ian Bradley

Wages: let's have a once-a-year 'aggro' day

Eric Moonman

A national day for sex, Belial Day, said Aldous Huxley, would help to create order and keep people calm. I have the same instincts about devoting one particular day each year to industrial protest—a day when every worker and every employer can express his or her grievances "without prejudice", before getting down to the real business of who gets what for the next twelve months.

After all, many strikes are not caused by the problems within an industry or in any one firm but are due to the pressure by workers to keep up with the wages paid elsewhere. Leapfrogging is an expensive process.

Despite the importance attached to bringing the inflation rate down to single figures and maintaining a good trade balance, nothing has more overall impact on our national survival than the state of industrial relations, which directly influences actual factory production, as well as having an effect on morale far beyond the factory gates. Getting order and control into industry and reducing conflict and controversy is a prize worth having.

Nor is the implementation of the Bullock Report on worker participation the answer. Bullock will, at best, produce a communications system inside every large company, giving freedom of access to information to all employees. But unless the implications of the introduction of worker directors are fully thought through, considerable conflict between the men selected and their own work colleagues may follow, to say nothing of the problems management will have in rethinking their own role.

Collective bargaining in this country is ill-managed. There is an enormous waste of effort and resources, with few set periods for review incorporated into agreements.

There is too little detailed guidance written into the documentation. All too often the strategy appears to be directed towards jockeying for position with other groups, be it unions or employers.

So "grievance day" should be followed each year by a set period of trade union-employer negotiations on wages and conditions of service, thus reducing stress on industry during the rest of the year.

"Leap-frogging" would disappear, and the inflationary effect of wage increases, such as they are, would also be limited to one period. A number of other countries tackle their collective bargaining this way, and some of their experience could be applied here.

In Japan, for example, two of the "enterprise" unions, Sohyo and Churitsuroren, organise a joint struggle committee to pursue an agreement on programmes each year, a practice known as Shunto, or the Spring Offensive.

The "going rate" for the year is established by the joint committee, coordinated on the employers' side by Nikkeiren, the employers' federation dealing with labour matters. Settlements in major industries determine the level and act as a "marker" for other settlements, which are usually made fairly quickly once the key industries have settled.

The Government makes information about the economy available but has not so far intervened in the negotiations. The negotiators show keen awareness of the public interest and there is strong pressure from society towards consensus.

The predominance of enterprise unions in Japan makes it difficult to draw parallels with the British situation, but European experience can also be invoked. In Norway, Sweden, Holland and the Irish Republic, the norm is bargained between employers and unions, and in Finland it is directly agreed between government and the unions, but the result is broadly the same: all collectively bargained deals involving more than a specified number of workers begin on the same day and run for twelve months.

Adapting European practice to Britain would not be difficult. The Government would have to be involved in the negotiations, because more than two-thirds of centrally bargained wage deals are in the public sector. The machinery already exists in NEDC and the structure for preliminary, informal consultations has been built up over the past three years for the purposes of voluntary wage restraint.

Voluntary agreement on the basic norm should be the aim, but, in order to keep to the single date, statutory powers might have to be kept in reserve, although any imposed norm should allow room for special cases, either chosen by the TUC or by an independent body such as ACAS.

The best date for beginning each "synchropay" agreement would be June-July, as industrial action is less disruptive then than during the winter months.

David Basnett, chairman of the TUC and General Secretary of the General and Municipal Workers' Union, has argued recently that synchronization is a necessary step towards the rationalization of pay bargaining in the public services.

In fact, his proposals for changes in the way in which public services pay is negotiated would make an important contribution to the kind of rationalization which is needed all round.

My only disagreement with Mr Basnett is that his proposals do not go far enough. Much of what he says could be applied to the private sector too, though it may be that the public sector will have to lead the way since, as he so rightly points out, there will always be a formal or informal incomes policy for the public services. But synchronization could be established throughout.

Professor Tom Lupton, deputy director of the Manchester Business School, has suggested a variation on the synchropay system which is designed to use our traditional system of free collective bargaining.

He suggests that the Government should decide each year the money available for "basic rates". This should then be agreed by Parliament, after which the share-out between the various sectors would be negotiated between the unions and employers. All negotiations would have to be concluded within three months, and the Government would have the power to impose a settlement where the negotiations overran.

An annual consolidation of wage rates should grasp the issue of sorting priorities between claimants. For too long governments have fudged the issue of who is a special case—in reality it has been left to the muscle of miners or car workers to force the pace. I believe the public would welcome wholeheartedly a government initiative which said clearly that, despite the norms governing present practice, there are groups, call them first division claimants, like the firemen, the police, and the staff of psychiatric hospitals, to name but three who are special cases and should be so rewarded. They should not need to strike to prove their value to society.

The idea of confining the settlement of all industrial wage negotiations to a single period may be a pipe-dream. But we have already gone a long way towards a once-a-year settlement in the TUC's acceptance of the 12-month rule; we have also established the machinery for deciding a national norm—it does not have to be kept only for the bad years.

The main change we need to make now is to compress the annual round of wage negotiations into a shorter period to cut "lead" "lag" and time-lag effects.

This will require cooperation by employers and unions, but the effort would be worthwhile and would introduce an element of order into contemporary collective bargaining practice, which is occasionally irresponsible and usually unruly.

The author is Labour MP for Basildon.

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China's two images, but which one will the young choose?

Since Mao Tse-tung's death in September, 1976, there has been a question hanging over China that has not yet been resolved. It may be blurred by time and disappear of it may, during 1978, come to a head in some form.

The argument for this admittedly tentative opinion is that revolution, in the sense of an upheaval and reordering of Chinese society, was seen as a necessity for China at the beginning of this century. The Chinese view of events in the past 70 years may not, therefore, be as simple as that of the average westerner's pre-communist and post-communist division.

Any Chinese looking back over the history of his country in the twentieth century would observe the following turning points:

In the first decade the final collapse of the old imperial system was marked by such events as the abolition in 1905 of the old examination system through which so many thousands of mandarins had made their way to power and influence over so many hundreds of years; their's had been the stability and the continuity of the old China. In 1911 the dynasty fell after 267 years.

Then followed a period of anxious inquiry. What was to be China's answer to her national problems in this disturbing new world? It was necessary to learn from the West.

China looked outwards. There were new newspapers, new magazines, new institutions of higher learning, students going abroad, while China languished in growing chaos and the warlords parcelled out their fiefs and fought each other. It was the heyday of the treaty ports.

The twenties and thirties saw a return of Chinese confidence and a stiffening of the sinews of Chinese nationalism. Hopes of strength and unity rose when Chiang Kai-shek set up his national government in Nanking in 1928 but very soon they faded.

Then came the grim but not formative interlude of Japanese aggression, ending in Japan's defeat by American power—and with the communists much better placed to resume the old civil war. Chiang Kai-shek lost it and the Chinese communists won it.

Yet was 1949 quite as significant a year in Chinese history as the average westerner imagines? Another 1789 or 1917? A country going communist and that not significant? Well, certainly for the peasants land reform was a great upheaval and their lives were changed when the landlord disappeared. The introduction of communes after 1958 was also a further and in many ways greater upheaval for most of them.

But the bureaucratic structure of power, or the new approved doctrine, were not so very different from what China had known in the past. For the urban, educated, politically most conscious, the cultural revolution from 1966 to 1969 must have been a far more traumatic experience than the communist reform after 1949.

Those who pulled themselves together and struggled on after 1970 might have found some comfort in the worldwide recognition of China, with the United Nations seat finally ceded, yet for most of them the condition of their own lives was scarcely eased; the political struggles went on, the slogans had to be repeated, the insecurity continued and the hopes of order, comfort and tangible progress were still deferred.

If that summary of the history of China's revolutionary change in this century bears a true relationship to experience, let us now look more closely at the age groups that have experienced it. The first useful division might be between those born before 1915 and those born after 1920 (leaving the years in between as overlapping ones).

The experience of those born before 1915 was part of the general free questioning that went on among all Chinese in the early decades, questioning of their own traditions, sampling of western ideas—liberal-democratic or Marxist—and much else besides.

What political style should China adopt? What was easier to decide was the objective of that generation: a strong, unified China, equal in military and economic strength to any other nation in the world. That formulation held whatever a person's political predilections. All Chinese saw the necessity of revolution; all shared the same objective, however their politics differed.

Now consider what common bonds were shared by those members of that generation who joined the communists, either in the era of the rural liberated areas or later in Yenan?

First they carried in their minds a vision of China formed before they had become Marxists. Second, their view of Mao was of a youngish man rising to power in the Kiangsi Sovier, falling again, gaining influence on the Long March and in Yenan in the early forties stamping his personality on the party.

Taking office as China's ruling party in 1949 they saw how it developed under Mao's leadership and how he dealt with those who disagreed with him. Then came the cultural revolution and many more of them fell from power or were shamed and demoted. Only a tiny minority supported Mao in that movement. And until then all of them in the upper ranks had made their way to high office in the rough justice of competition and achievement.

The generation born after 1920 had a very different experience. Life in the treaty ports might have been a childhood memory for such few as had even set foot in them. The conditions of wartime China would have been an experience of adolescence. If they had come into the communist movement during the war years or in the civil war between 1946 and 1949 they would still have been very young. Their experience however would have been of a party already dominated by Mao.

After 1949 Mao would have been the national leader to whom they looked. Among that generation were men who had made some headway up the party ladder, at a provincial level, when the cultural revolution burst on China. Some did well out of it. Some came to Mao's notice and were subsequently moved up several rungs by his personal wish rather than by any party consultation or agreement.

To take only the five members of the party's standing committee, the core of the core as it were, three belong clearly to the first generation—Yeh Chien-ying, Teng Hsiao-ping and Li-Hsien-nien; two to the second, Hua Kuo-feng and Wang Tung-hsing. There are other members of the politburo equally clearly identified with one or other of these two visions of China and of party history in which their minds were formed.

One should not infer from this analysis that deep disagreements now exist over policy in China. On the contrary, on the main issue of a return to discipline and a concentration on economic development without interference by politics in effect, a strong reaction against the cultural revolution and the last decade of Maoism—there is probably little that divides them.

Those who would blame Mao and could risk saying so are however divided from those who owe their promotion to Mao and were tainted before his death by playing along with the gang of four who were, after all, Mao's creatures. But that does not now affect policy very much.

On how the budget should be split between economic investment and military modernization—possibly there are differences, but what cabinets in the world are not divided on that?

No, it is not the present political divisions that matter. It is to pose an almost unanswerable question: which of these two groups, shaped by their differing visions of China—the opinionally Maoist or the zootedly Maoist—is going to be the most influential in the formation of revised ideology following Mao's death?

And which will be more favoured by a younger generation that has certainly suffered in this past decade, both in their personal lives and in a series of intellectual reversals that must have made all and every slogan suspect?

Will they look up to the Teng Hsiao-ping generation as the true representative of Chinese traditions or to the Maoism to which Hua Kuo-feng painstakingly adheres?

Richard Harris

LEAPMAN IN AMERICA

A few weeks ago a pair of sociologists at Johns Hopkins University published a report on adolescent sex, a subject guaranteed to win them many column inches of space in the newspapers. They found that, in the years between 1971 and 1976, premarital sexual activity had increased by a third, and teenage pregnancies had risen by the same figure.

This will have come as no surprise to anyone who keeps his or her eyes and ears open. Nor will those who study the behaviour of research scientists be surprised at the conclusion the two sociologists reached.

"Far more study", they declared, "is required before we can hope to explain and understand the sexual and reproductive behaviour of young Americans".

My own impression, which I admit to be based on scant research, is that the sexual and reproductive behaviour of young Americans has much in common with the sexual and reproductive behaviour of young Norwegians, Ukrainians, Belgians and many others. Moreover, it seems to me one of the aspects of this great country which is least difficult to explain and understand.

Yet one of the few things that can be said with certainty about academic researchers — and I am sure I am not the first to say it—is that between 40 and 60 per cent of their reports will end with the assertion that more research is needed into the topic under examination.

I have done a moderate amount of field work on the question. Exhibit "A" is a report from researchers at New York University, published last July. Its authors said that they had discovered "the strongest evidence yet" linking the chemical benzene with leukaemia and other blood disorders.

Interviewed by the Associated Press, one of the scientists said: "Benzene has been studied for 60 years and many people thought they had produced leukaemia only to find out that they hadn't. We need to produce it in other animals and do other tests before we can say for certain".

In October, three researchers at a Washington hospital came up with the intriguing suggestion that more Americans with schizophrenia are born in winter and spring than at other times of the year. After describing the "evidence" for this odd if useless fact in some detail, the report concluded: "What is clear at this point is that more studies are needed in attempts to identify the etiological factors producing the seasonality of schizophrenic births".

Some scientists find different ways of saying the same thing. A recent press release from the University of Southern California described some research by a chemist at the university into "free radicals". This is not a new West Coast political movement, but the name given to the fragments produced when a molecule is blasted apart by a strong external force.

Free radicals are thought to be responsible, among other things, for the production of smog. Knowledge of them could help to control pollution and also, the chemist maintained, contribute to the manufacture of flame-retarding fabrics.

A modest man, he did not claim that his research had produced anything that would actually help these processes. "We can now say", he asserted simply, "that this is the part of the haystack we have to look into—this is where the needle is likely to be."

Why do scientists always make these disclaimers? Why is their work never definitive? Why do they make a point of insisting that there is more to be done?

No research at all is needed to find the answer to that poser. The more they say remains to be pursued, the greater their chance of getting a fresh cash grant to pursue it. QED.

■ The airlines of America, trying to push their load factors above the present 56 per cent, are engaging in some spectacular price-cutting. With advance booking, you can now fly from New York to California and back for $234—about half the regular fare.



People wanting to escape the snows can (if they are lucky enough to find the New York airports open) go to sunny Florida for a giveaway $55 on certain days of the week. This is a one-way fare, but many people will presumably not want to return.

Cheap fares are not the only enticements being dangled by the airlines. They vie with each other in devising procedures to make flying free of what Americans call hassle and what is more properly termed irritation.

It is an uphill struggle, for there is in truth no way of funnelling some 200 passengers through a single door into an aircraft without making them queue. Yet the airlines continue to pretend that they can render things easier, and TWA have come up with the latest trick.

They say that, if you are making a return journey, you can check in for both halves of it at the same time. This means that they assign you a seat for the return flight as well as the outward one, so you do not have to queue twice at the gate for seat assignment.

With computers, the technology for this should not be too difficult, but I doubt whether it is really much of a boon. Checking in for two flights at once could take roughly twice as long as checking in for one, so the queue will move more slowly. Moreover, passengers with baggage will have to check that in twice, come what may.

All the same, I suppose TWA's rivals will be forced to think of something to cap that idea. What about lifetime check-in, where you check in just once for every future flight you ever have to make?

■ You get hold of some arcane information by scouring through the racks of press releases in the United Nations. One which caught my eye the other day had the grabbing title: "Republic of Korea accedes to convention on psychotropic substances." Korea had become the forty-ninth signatory of the convention, which "provides for strict international controls over hallucinogenic substances".

Running down the list of signers, I noticed that Britain was not among them, though most of our European allies (notably France and Germany) were. Why will we not sign this beneficial treaty? Secret pot-smoking in the corridors of power?

Musing thus, I came across another press release, headed: "Byelorussia ratifies convention on objects launched into outer space." This one provides that states should tell the secretary-general about what they are shooting into space.

Again, no British participation, although the Americans and Russians have signed, as have the French, and indeed the Mexicans, Danes, Bulgarians and the Seychellois. If the Seychelles can sign such a self-denying ordinance, why do we still insist on the right to put what we like into space without telling anyone?

Are the two connected? Are we planning to launch a satellite laden with hallucinogenic substances? Someone should ask a question in the House.

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R SADAT SEEKS SUPPORT

ent Sadat is now nearing d of his eight-nation tour. y by far the most important f it was the six-day visit shington. He arrived there, own words, "disheartened iscouraged" by the fact is peace initiative seemed ckly to have lost momenle blamed this publicly on intransigence, but let it own privately that he felt cial missing element was American support.

eek ago, after two days of with President Carter at David, Mr Sadat was still acteristically gloomy and n. He had apparently been at America was not going ose anything on Israel, and hile she was prepared to rage Israel to be more e" on some issues, there others on which Egypt have to make further s. In particular, America continue to oppose the f an independent Pales- state, thus limiting the nian right of self-determi- on which Mr Sadat was g. As for the question of ales to Egypt, this would on Congress, which was ulikely to approve the sale and F-16 aircraft. The could hope for would be ghtweight F-5E fighter, he described to a group gressmen on Tuesday as rate".

the time he left last day, however, Mr Sadat d to have cheered up rably. He had had further rith Mr Carter and Mr which had convinced at "the United States is observer or a go-between ediator. No, the role of ited States now is com- partnership". America oing to deploy new s", initially at least in the form of a new shuttle mission between Egypt and Israel by Mr Alfred Atherton, the State Department's top Middle East expert, who would make another effort to secure agreement on a "declaration of principles" to govern an eventual peace settlement in the Middle East.

Mr Sadat's idea is apparently that this declaration, the thorniest item of which would concern the Palestinian problem, would provide a framework acceptable to moderate Arab opinion outside Egypt, within which individual Arab states could then proceed honourably to work out their individual peace treaties with Israel. But why should he suppose, after all the warnings about America's inability or unwillingness to impose terms on Israel, that Mr Atherton can now succeed where Mr Vance and President Carter himself had failed?

It may be that Mr Sadat is simply putting a bold face on what from his point of view was an unsuccessful visit, in order to limit the damage to his prestige at home and in the Arab world. But it is at least equally likely that he was genuinely cheered by a number of events which occurred while he was in Washington.

His public appearances received very favourable comment in the press, and his meetings seem to have been cordial not only with congressmen but also with leaders of the American Jewish community. He was able to see that his basic message is now believed by a substantial part of American public opinion: he is seen as a genuine friend of America, who is making a genuine offer of peace with security to America's other, very special friend, Israel, which Israel would be foolish to refuse. Any remaining reluctance to provide him with weapons, or sympathy for Israel's unwillingness to give up all the occupied territory, is related more to fears about his possible successors than to doubts about his own sincerity.

Meanwhile the Administration came out with a series of acerbic statements taking issue with Israel on the question of settlements in the occupied territories, and in the joint communiqué published at the end of the visit Mr Carter not only reaffirmed his belief in the "legitimate rights" of the Palestinians (including their right "to participate in the determination of their own future") but also insisted that Resolution 242, requiring Israeli withdrawal from territories occupied in 1967, was applicable to all three fronts in the conflict—ie, the West Bank as well as Sinai and Golan.

Mr Sadat will also have been aware that shortly before he arrived in Washington Mr Carter had said that his proposed cuts in arms sales would not affect commitments "including our historic interest in the security of the Middle Eaast"—a phrase which set alarm bells ringing in Israel because the corresponding statement last year referred to "our historic responsibilities to assure the security of the state of Israel". Of course, Mr Carter has no intention of jeopardizing Israel's existence, but it is increasingly clear that he does not wish to guarantee the security of her settlements in occupied Arab territory. That is the real pressure on Israel, whatever form of words is used to clothe it. By their sharp reaction yesterday to Mr Vance's remarks about these settlements the Israelis showed that they, at least, clearly understand this.

THE HILLS IN WINTER

izzards of the past few ave caught out many and walkers on the A few have died, while ave been saved at some comfort and even safety rescuers, who have as een loud in their con- on of ill-equipped roman- dering into dangers that ve made no attempt to nd. Although there has been any major disaster death of a party of five in the Cairngorms in severity of the winter at the human and finan- of mountain accidents is likely to be unusually

ense, this cost is pure The people risking their in most cases doing so orthier social end than satisfaction. It is often hether they might not re care if they knew ody would turn out to em, or—given that most people recognize an to save anybody in or whatever reason— e not specifically quali- ld be forbidden to take in the first place. Car ave to pass a test: why sing for climbers (or, in the summer, for seagoing yachtsmen)? Or perhaps a weather forecast of unusual severity should include an announcement that "the mountains are closed today". It is reported that the authorities in Providence, Rhode Island, struggling with the emergency created by a snowfall of three feet in a few hours last week, have forbidden all citizens except those with special "disaster passes" even to walk on the city streets.

There is a depressing tendency these days for every kind of unregulated activity to fall prey to controls and prohibitions. Those who enjoy wild places normally have a healthy impatience with red tape. A licensing system would certainly be widely evaded and impossible to enforce, short of stationing policemen along Striding Edge whenever it came on to snow. There are, of course, valuable courses available for those who want to learn the arts of survival in the hills, just as there are seamanship courses for yachtsmen run jointly by the Royal Yachting Association and the Department of Trade. But those qualifications, though popular, are purely voluntary, and there would be strong resistance to making them obligatory.

Danger cannot be eliminated from sports of this kind: it is part of their attraction. Indeed, the impulse to encounter threatening conditions and come through by exercise of skill and determination is an ingrained and admirable one. It is not only the incompetent who get into difficulties, and competence is only gained by trial. But those who follow danger, the most experienced quite as much as the least, should always have in mind that they have a responsibility through themselves to others. If there is reason to think they need help, other people will always turn out to offer it, often in risky and unpleasant conditions. They may do so voluntarily, but the climber nevertheless has an obligation not to draw them unnecessarily into danger. This implies an honest judgment about one's own capacity to accomplish what one undertakes, and care to ensure that others know enough about one's plans not to become anxious without good reason. If these rules were better observed, accidents would not cease, but rescuers would not so often have to imperil themselves for the sake of fools.

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with the serialization Margach's book *The Power*, in *The Sunday* began last week a per- discussion of the place of nentary Lobby spreading icated democracy worth- litical information and nd, apart from mention- of the Grand Guignol ces in which I found w and then, I asked he Westminster Lobby erly conceived for its privileged role and ay alternative reporting uld not end in the re- the Lobby much as it his article is the critical, native sequel.

egin with a little Lobby hen reporters or com- n small numbers were ted to the Members' by, outside the Chamber, there on sufferance. I or two of them. They nselves obliged to wear d frock coats, and were barred from naming even taking notes in the place. They were ad- a gentlemen's club, and they practised an un- y trade they were ex- behave like gentlemen, a Nelsonian telescope to they saw anything un- occurring. The Arms controlled the tickers in the end, nominations of Lobby ame directly from news- ors, nor from what is called "a self-perpetuat-

inal Lobby correspon- e usually politicians ten barristers, and they schools and universities s. When I first went to of Commons in 1948, dreadful demob suit, still only a dozen Lobby who rarely deigned to notice parliamentary reporters, sedulously maintained the masonic mystery of their craft, and even had a special table in the press dining room where they ate and whispered their confidences. They enshrined their code of behaviour in a booklet called *Lobby Practice*, rules that set out with maximum pomp the minimum of guidance on how all—I repeat all—reporting is done. Such guidance, for example, as saying you do not reveal sources without permission (no reporter does or will), and that collective meetings of the Lobby must be kept secret for fear that sources will be silenced by untoward disclosure.

May I add that I had been in the Lobby 18 years before I was vouchsafed a copy of Lobby Practice, and then only because I was going into an Anthony King-Anne Sloman radio programme to say that, like Tartuffe who had spoken prose all his life without knowing it, I had lived journalistically by Lobby practice for nearly 30 years without benefit of instruction?

Lobby Practice is in a sense an otoise, if not silly, document; but I suppose at some historic stage it gave comfort to a front-bencher who first faced a dozen dangerous men and then eventually a mass rally of nearly 100 men and women representing every paper, television and radio in the land. Yet the Lobby is the victim of a system not of its own making. Cabinet ministers and privy councillors need it as a protection for reasons that are not hard to find. Editors at No. 10 prove the tightest Lobby I know. They form a real closed shop and love it.

The Official Secrets Acts have never been a particular bother to me, because where you are not constrained by your own patriotism you are a fool if you cannot find a form of prose that conveys the facts without risking peril at law. Nevertheless, I have admitted at Nuffield College seminars, and admit again, that I did on two occasions suppress what I heard about talk of devaluing the pound, because nothing would have been more certain to make devalution unavoidable.

Probably I was wrong, though as the years pass you learn it is no light thing to write for a vigilant overseas public that the pound is sick, at any rate as political correspondent or political editor of a newspaper that is taken seriously in quarters I then knew little about.

No, it is not the Official Secrets Acts bearing on reporters; it is a combination of the Privy Councillors' oath of secrecy and a loyalty to colleagues as they bear on ministers that blocks a freer flow of poltical information, which in turn serves as the basis of any analysis. That is why I believe that Prime Ministers, who are always a law to themselves, should meet the Lobby frequently, and attributably, as Mr Callaghan, altering the Wilson early rules, does not, and why other ministers should more regularly confide in specialist journalistic groups, lately modelled on the Lobby system, like education, labour, defence, education, environment, Treasury, trade and all the rest.

Ministers cannot come right out into the open, especially before Cabinet committees and the full Cabinet, have reached their decisions, but they could show the public, as well as MPs, where the arguments are listing in the small closed circle of power. We ought not to have to wait years for a series of prime ministerial or ministerial memoirs before a big national problem is identified and the alternative courses come under discussion. Civil Service months, terrified by the Offcial Secrets Acts, are no substitute for ministers, as the late Lord Swinton, Rab Butler, Hugh Gaitskell, and now and again Harold Wilson and Harold Macmillan showed: though, to be sure, there have been admirable No. 10 mouthpieces like Francis Williams and Donald Maitland, both of them as honest and sharp as they are to be found.

For me, the Lobby system was at all times perfect so long as the Lobby consisted of one person—that is, myself. Most of my Fleet Street friends and rivals (they were the same people) took the same competitive view. Yet today the Lobby is a mass audience in whom nobody in his senses would confide, and to whom no minister or leading politician would offer his neck. Yet I always supported the enlargement of the Lobby, partly on democratic grounds, partly because some of the provincial political reporters are first class, and partly because I liked extra competition.

To answer, though, my second question: there is nothing important in Lobby practice that is not common to the whole of journalism, and if you undermined the system politicians and editors would alike recreate it much as it is.

I said I would write two articles on the subject of the free flow of political information. Would you readers bear with me if I wrote a third?

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Scotland Bill and referendum

From Professor Nevil Johnson

Sir, In your report (February 10) on Government efforts to modify or reverse the amendment to the referendum clause in the Scotland Bill it is suggested that Ministers and others see "dangerous constitutional implications" in the replacement of the simple majority rule by the requirement that a "Yes" vote must have the support of 40 per cent of the electorate. But all this talk about dangerous constitutional implications is disingenuous. The principle at issue is the desirability or otherwise of a special majority as opposed to a simple majority.

Although on the whole little use has been made in the British political system of special or qualified majority requirements, we are certainly not entirely without experience of them. Indeed, such a principle is already enshrined in Clause 4(1) of the Scotland Bill, where it is provided that the proposed Assembly shall be dissolved if not less than two-thirds of its members so resolve. And a number of trade unions make use of the same principle in some cases, for example, by requiring reinforced majorities in strike ballots.

The issue of constitutional principle is therefore hardly new. Obviously in the case of so grave a step as devolution, there are serious arguments in favour of making sure that a genuine majority of the voters in Scotland want it. The fact that doing so entails certain risks such as a Nationalist backlash from the disappointed minority or further Labour Party losses to the SNP should not be allowed to obscure the fact that these are prudential and political objections—not serious constitutional objections. And anyway, are there not just as many political dangers in a referendum based on the simple majority rule which might allow 30 per cent or even less of the electorate to take Scotland into the promised land of devolution?

Yours faithfully,
NEVIL JOHNSON,
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Oxford.
February 10.

Overseas students' cost

From Lord Gladwyn and Mr Anthony Kershaw, MP for Stroud (Conservative)

Sir, It is depressing to read (*The Times*, February 7) that, according to your Education Correspondent, "The hidden subsidy for 80,000 overseas students in British colleges and universities is about £125m a year".

This is nonsense. If there were no overseas students, the buildings and equipment would still have to be maintained: the professors and teachers would, for much the most part, still have to be paid. There would thus be next to no "saving".

And since the 80,000 overseas students now bring with them, in the shape of fees and living expenses, some £200m against the exchange, we should merely be that much worse off on balance. To which would have to be added, of course, the very large, if unquantifiable sum that we should lose in the shape of good will and future orders for British industrial products.

Whatever reason the Government may have for drastically reducing the numbers of overseas students must therefore be sought elsewhere. We can only hope that they are not connected with the popular delusion, fostered by the National Front, that all coloured overseas students are the equivalent of illegal immigrants. A very few may be and they must be dealt with: but the enormous majority, if well treated, are good and very valuable friends of this country.

Yours faithfully,
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Reading problems

From Mr David Legge

Sir, My attention has been drawn to an article in your newspaper ("How education authorities' word-blindness handicaps dyslectic children" on January 10). The author refers to the reservations expressed among educational psychologists about the scientific validity of the term dyslexia, and claims that they allow this to stand in the way of their providing help for children who have difficulty in learning to read.

I would like to assure you that educational psychologists as a profession are totally committed to helping children with reading problems and in many local authorities it is they who have initiated whatever special provision exists. In common with the other professions concerned, educational psychologists regret that limited manpower resources make it impossible to meet the needs of many children with reading and other learning problems, however one may label these. The British Psychological Society has pressed the case for greater provision in its evidence to the Warnock Committee.

Yours faithfully,
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Exploitation of children

From Mr George Wood

Sir, The ITN "News at One" in a report on Mr Cyril Townsend's Bill to abolish child pornography spoke of Home Office complacency! I find this most disturbing. As one who was robbed of his childhood when I was a professional performer before the age of six (never for anything pornographic) I advocate greater restrictions on the exploitation of children.

I am, Sir, your obedient servant,
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Taxpayers and the blacklist

From Mr J. H. Jones

Sir, In references to the "blacklist" and its attendant sanctions, we have heard first Mr Healey and now Mr Hattersley suggesting that it would be wrong "to use taxpayers' money to subsidise companies" deemed by the Government not to have adhered sufficiently rigidly to the incomes policy. It seems to me that this argument is as phoney as the Government's actions in applying these sanctions are maladroit.

I would suggest that what the Government's action amounts to, is the use of taxpayers' money to subsidise with orders some companies that, because they are less efficient and competitive than others, would not normally be in receipt of such Government controlled orders. If it is assumed, and this may be a bold assumption, that Government Departments, etc, exercise a competitive purchasing policy, then to the extent that, because of the blacklist, they do not place an order that would otherwise be placed with a supplier, they must by definition be buying second best, either in terms of price, quality or delivery.

If certain companies operate at a level of efficiency that enables them to pay somewhat more than the norm while at the same time remaining the most competitive suppliers, then I would have thought this was entirely wholesome. The electorate has probably resigned itself to the fact that politicians will forever meddle with the market mechanism, but when taxpayers' funds are being so directly and deliberately applied in subsidising the less efficient and penalising the more efficient, then this aspect of the matter surely needs to be rigorously exposed.

Yours faithfully,
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From Mr Timothy Raison, MP for Aylesbury (Conservative)

Sir, There is a convention that politicians do not attack civil servants, on the grounds that they cannot answer back. It is a good convention; but it does assume that civil servants will not enter the political arena.

In *The Times* of today (February 10) on page 4 there is a story headed "Whitehall denies trend towards corporatism". It is to do with the intensely controversial and topical issue of the "blacklist" and the public sector contract stipulations about observing pay policy. In it are quoted a "high official" a "veteran maker of income policy" and a "civil servant with a philosophical bent", each of whom seeks to defend measures which were the subject of a supply day last Tuesday and are to be the subject of another supply day on Monday.

These civil servants are doing the job of ministers; and the fact that they are doing it under the cloak of anonymity makes it no better. The Prime Minister, as Head of the Civil Service, should order this sort of practice to stop.

Yours faithfully,
TIMOTHY RAISON,
House of Commons, SW1.
February 10.

From Mr Raymond Blackburn

Sir, In 1947 I advocated a wages policy as a Labour MP and was attacked by some trade unionists for my pains. It is only recently that I have come to the conclusion that inflation is a terrible danger to this country. I have always thought it a continuous and insidious process but it has now become an acute disease.

Not long ago there was a semi-totalitarian Act under which it became a criminal offence for an employer to increase wages above the prescribed rate. This could have caused a disastrous strike affecting the whole country if Lord Denning had not upheld an emergency appeal on a Friday against the committal to prison of two shop stewards whom he robbed of the martyrdom they courted. It was the Official Solicitor who appealed, not the shop stewards.

The lesson was learnt that no man's liberty should be endangered by counter-inflationary measures. Are then wage policies to be only futile exhortations? The obvious solution has always been for the Government itself to operate its own guidelines so far as it can. If it granted new contracts to private firms breaking the guidelines, what possible right would it have to expect the private sector to observe them? No man's liberty is at stake. The Government only claims the right of every company and person—freedom of contract. No new law is required for that. What is all the fuss about?

Yours faithfully,
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US letter on Windscale plan

From Mr Brian Johnson

Sir, Your report today (February 9) of a United States official's letter discouraging British Nuclear Fuels' planned expansion of the Windscale reprocessing plant helps to clarify a critical point which got buried in the factual deluge of the Windscale inquiry.

American refusal to support 10 or more year contracts for reprocessing foreign (eg, Japanese) spent reactor fuel: a power of denial which they hold through the terms on which they supply low-enriched uranium for reactor fuel to would-be clients of BNFL's expanded Windscale facility, could be the deciding factor over whether or not the plant makes economic, let alone international political or strategic sense.

Both Professor Wohlstetter and I, in submitting evidence on the increased risk of nuclear bomb proliferation which we claimed would arise from expanding the Windscale plant in part to gain profit from foreign contracts, made a central point of the economic and other risks of the United States Government "pulling the rug".

Under-Secretary Nye, who wrote the letter you report, has been on public record since a speech in Salzburg in May, 1977, as affirming that 10 or more year contracts for reprocessing are not consonant with a United States policy of reviewing reprocessing of used fuel deriving from United States-supplied elements on a case-by-case basis.

As the Inspector at a local planning inquiry, Justice Parker appeared to take the view that the issues of international policy involved in the proliferation question were not properly within his remit. But we shall not know whether or not the central issue of proliferation was weighed in his considerations until we read his report.

This, surely, is a critical reason why the Windscale Report should be exposed to public and parliamentary discussion before so momentous and possibly fateful a decision is taken by the government.

Yours faithfully,
BRIAN JOHNSON,
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February 9.

From Mr Raymond Kidwell, QC

Sir, I declare my interest as counsel for one of the objecting organizations, and have their approval for the views I express. Nevertheless, the views I hold are uninfluenced by my professional involvement in the case, though possibly informed by it.

The Windscale inquiry was an imaginative, constructive and unique exercise. It was set up under existing planning legislation because no other statutory procedure was remotely suitable. But the Government must always have known, the parties always rightly assumed, and the Tribunal from the outset made clear that conventional planning considerations would play little part. On the contrary, the debate was concerned with questions of high Government policy for the rest of this century, with great international implications. It would be astonishing if the report did not concern itself largely with these grave issues.

In this field, factual information, and news and views from overseas, may change from day to day. For instance, the true attitude of the United States Government was a subject of debate between the parties. If the report were to err in this respect, the recent letter from the State Department would require consideration by somebody (*The Times* Feb 9 "a misunderstanding . . . arose at the Windscale Inquiry.") Whether this is new material, or merely a confirmation of earlier material, depends on one's assessment and powers of judgment.

The Secretary of State should certainly not now be troubled by legalistic quibbles or technicalities of planning law which might be taken to inhibit his publication of the report, or to preclude a decision by *someone* without referring the case back to the Tribunal.

The position now is that it is hopelessly impracticable to refer anything back to the Tribunal. Each day at the inquiry new technical reports became available, often produced at the request of the Tribunal. Some, at least, radically reversed ideas which might have been entertained with some confidence the day before. Such evidence will continue to flow in (though with modified speed when the heat of the inquiry is off.) There will also be a daily influx of views from the EEC, India, Iran, and others. If the case were to be referred back, the Tribunal could advance its evidence by a further few months, but no more.

These considerations tend to reinforce the case for the objectors that everything is to be gained and nothing is to be lost by postponing a decision. But that is to argue the merits.

The purpose of this letter is to suggest that the decision must now be submitted to *someone*, and that this can only be Parliament. Only in this way can the Government pursue the logic of the procedures it set up. It entrusted to a Tribunal the findings of fact and the evaluation of evidence which it is essential for Parliament to receive if it is to have some idea of where it is to direct the country in the next thirty years.

The report may be wrong, factually, or in matters of judgment. Nevertheless, the logic of the great debate is that it should be carried to the floor of the House without any pre-judgment on the part of a Minister or of Government. Most Members who declaim confidently on this subject, particularly on the economic implications, may require a little time to study the report.

Yours faithfully,
RAYMOND KIDWELL,
Counsel for Friends of the Earth,
2 Crown Office Row,
Temple, EC4.
February 9.

Thomas More's character

From Mr Oliver Price

Sir, In your leader on Sir Thomas More (February 7) you list attributes of the English character, implying, it seems to me, that these are peculiar English qualities not shared, or at least not in the particular combination you have selected, by other nations.

It may indeed one day become possible to show scientifically that such sweeping generalizations have a basis in fact, but until the case is proven it would be safer and more charitable to assume that (to mention only some) irony, a sense of humour, the gift of conversation, a love of family and animals, pleasure in house and garden, generosity to friends and the use of words are nothing other than the qualities revealed by cultured members of the human race.

If indeed there is any peculiarly "English" attribute, it could well be the one you have omitted to mention—an inculcated belief that the English character is, in some indefinable way, different (superior) to all others.

Yours sincerely,
O. PRICE,
Peter Jordan Strasse, 17/4
1190 Vienna,
Austria.
February 8.

Mercury in oranges

From Professor W. D. M. Paton, FRS.

Sir, While it is disagreeable to have people injecting things into our oranges, perhaps a little reassurance is needed as to the dangers of eating mercury droplets. The famous Dr Dover was given the name of "Quicksilver physician" for the amounts he prescribed. In 1816, Dr Marryat's *Art of Healing* cites the dose of quicksilver as 1oz to 4 oz. Rubbed up with chalk, it was still in our pharmacopoeias this century.

The fact is that for acute effects the mercury needs to be as a salt or other compound; the metal passes *per vias naturales*. Prolonged exposures, for instance through the skin to the mercury ointments once used to treat syphilis, or through the lungs to small traces of vapour retained in some closed space, are another matter.

But one wishes that more of these gestures were equally harmless.

Yours sincerely,
W. D. M. PATON,
University Department of Pharmacology,
South Parks Road,
Oxford.
February 9.

Green pound devaluation

From Professor Asher Winegarten

Sir, The points made by Professor Josling and his colleagues in their letter of February 3 may give the impression that, when the 7.5 per cent devaluation of the green pound becomes effective, there will no longer be a green pound problem. Unfortunately this is not the case.

It is an interesting statistical point that the total devaluation of the green pound since we entered the Community will eventually be of similar magnitude to the trade weighted depreciation of sterling since February 1973. But I suggest that it is no more than that. If there are no changes in the market value of sterling, many British farmers and food processors will still have to compete with imports of certain major products subsidised to the tune of 20 per cent. As far as I am aware, no industry apart from agriculture operates, or would be expected to operate, under these conditions.

The effect of import subsidisation is to give suppliers in other countries the opportunity to establish or consolidate a position in our market. Naturally the Danes, the Irish, the Dutch and the Germans are taking full advantage of this opportunity.

The suggestion seems to be that the green pound "gap" can be disregarded because the agricultural unit of account used for the determination of EEC farm prices is linked essentially with the German Mark. I would agree that it would be more logical to determine the value of the unit of account in relation to all EEC countries.

However, the point that is not always appreciated is that EEC Ministers determine prices at the levels which they believe to be required in the interests of their producers and consumers; basically they are interested in real money rather than units of account. Therefore, if the unit of account had been given a lesser value than it has today in terms of actual currencies, then unit of account prices would almost certainly have been set at higher levels.

The real lesson from the green currency problems of recent years is that green currency values have been a function of the national prices which Ministers have essentially wished to achieve in their own countries. Regrettably this is hardly consistent with the principle of common prices under the common agricultural policy.

Yours truly,
ASHER WINEGARTEN,
Deputy Director General,
The National Farmers' Union,
Agriculture House,
Knightsbridge, SW1.
February 6.

Fishing in EEC waters

From Lord Sligo

Sir, Politically, it may benefit us if Spain and Portugal join the Common Market: economically, I am not so sure.

The combined fishing fleets of these two countries equal those of all present members put together. A Spanish minister has stated publicly that a reason for his country's application is to fish in EEC waters.

Does this mean even more pressure on the depleted fish stocks of England and Ireland? Presumably all member states will be entitled to catch their sardines and their hake, but this would be a bad bargain.

Yours faithfully,
SLIGO,
House of Lords.
February 8.

Decline of spelling

From Mr Kenneth Pinnock

Sir, The author of the "drinka pinta milka" slogan does well to defend himself (February 4). The decline of spelling is no fault of his. It is a nation-wide phenomenon, of which *The Times* itself gives almost daily evidence. To-day, for instance, one finds "enourmous" and "arguement"; "principle" and "principal" are commonly confused; and there was one occasion last summer when a front-page headline referred to "Bismark" while later pages contained such errors as "dispersed" (for "disbursed") and—incredibly—"court-marshalled".

For those who deal with the printed word this is a worrying trend, and it was not surprising to find recently that a famous publishing house, in advertising for an editorial secretary, insisted that candidates must have "a high standard of English grammar and a literate education". The message was clear—or would have been, if only "grammar" had not appeared in the advertisement as "grammer".

Yours faithfully,
KENNETH PINNOCK,
John Murray,
50 Albemarle Street, W1.
February 6.

COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE

February 11: The Prince of Wales arrived at Heathrow Airport, London, this morning in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight from Germany.

February 12: Mr R. Brind, Mr J. Mason and Mr J. Stannett had the honour of being received by The Queen at Windsor Castle this afternoon when Her Majesty decorated them with the Royal Victorian Medal (Silver).

The Duke of Edinburgh, attended by Mr Richard Davies, arrived at Heathrow Airport, London, this evening from Canada.

Birthdays today

Sir Hubert Ashton, 80; Lieutenant-General Sir Roger Bower, 75; Earl Cadogan, 64; Professor Dame Helen Gardner, 70; Colonel Sir Douglas Glover, 70; Sir Roy Harrod, 78; Sir Neville Pearson, 80; Mr John Peyton, MP, 59; Mr Francis Pym, MP, 56; M Georges Simenon, 75.

Today's engagements

Alexandra Palace, Wood Green Vintage Car Auction, 11.

Exhibition by Ted Stanton, animal illustrator, Old Bull, 68 High Street, Barnet, 10-6.

Lunchtime music: St Lawrence Jewry, Philip Polkington, piano, 1; St Michael Cornhill, Keith John, organ, 1; St John's, Smith Square, BBC Concert, Schubert, Webern, Haydn, Gabrieli String Quartet, 1.

Birmingham Museum and Art Gallery, exhibition: Masterpieces from the Natale Labia collection, 10-5.30.

Wycombe Abbey School

The Wycombe Abbey Open Scholarship has been awarded to Erica Power (St Christopher's, Burnham on Sea). The William Johnston Yapp Scholarship has been awarded to Tessa Cottell (Wycombe Abbey and Rookesbury Park). The Crosthwaite Scholarship has been awarded to Vanessa Howe-Jones (Godstowe). The Walpole Scholarship has been awarded to Sara Hawley (Godstowe). The Whitelaw Scholarship for Music has been awarded to Serena Baillieu (Godstowe).

Exhibitions have been awarded to: Serena Baillieu (Godstowe), Isobel Smith-Gordon (Sarum Hall), Sophie Nelson (Wycombe Abbey and Rookesbury Park), Lois Sparling (Wycombe Abbey and Murrayfield), Teresa Wilkinson (Wycombe Abbey and St Bernards Convent, Slough), Rebecca Youngman (Godstowe). The Art Scholarship has been awarded to Ophelia Redpath (Wycombe Abbey and St John's College School, Cambridge).

Role of 'Church Times' in integration of Anglo-Catholicism

By Clifford Longley
Religious Affairs Correspondent

The *Church Times* celebrated its 6,000th issue last week with a wry look at itself and the foibles of the Church of England, as reflected in its pages, over the past 115 years.

During that time the paper has evolved from its original tone of indignant partisanship to the status of a true "newspaper of record". In its way it is as much a buttress to the established church as the Church Commissioners, and suffers from much the same image of unglamorous sobriety.

It began in an age when Cabinet ministers were judged as much for the soundness of their churchmanship as for the wisdom of their politics. Under the influence of the Oxford Movement, Anglicanism had become polarized into High Church and Low, Anglo-Catholic and Protestant.

The early editorials veritably sing with the unshakable conviction that Anglo-Catholicism, it and it alone, was faithful to the one true church that Christ founded. That faithfulness meant sacraments; and more than that, in mid-Victorian Anglo-Catholicism, it meant vestments.

That age of controversy is difficult to recal, the age when it mattered almost more than anything else whether, when the vicar gave the blessing, he raised his hand and moved it up and down and from side to side.

Such practices were anathema to those who rejoiced in the true Protestantism that they believed the Church of England to stand for, condemned as impertinent imports from Rome and Orthodoxy.

"Catholics", as the *Church Times* used to call them, were then carving out for themselves a secure and accepted place in Anglicanism; and they did so largely by attending to the details, leaving the whole to take care of itself. It being impossible to legislate about ideas, both sides joined battle over the gestures that signified ideas.

That the victory was eventually won was quite considerably because of the *Church Times*. Not only are the "Catholics" now totally at home as a movement, so much so that nobody would think to question it, but the spirit of Anglicanism has embraced the spirit of Catholicism.

The Holy Communion service is now indisputably the central act of worship of every parish church; and not two weeks ago the General Synod of the Church of England rose to its feet to applaud the Cardinal Archbishop of Westminster.

Anglo-Catholics and Conservative Evangelicals are now manifestly members of the same church, and the smoke of ecclesiastical civil war has long since blown away.

That has left the *Church Times* occupying the central ground, a reflection not of partisanship but of that broad Anglicanism that regards itself as equally Catholic and Reformed.

It is an irony of history that the 6,000th issue appears when there is talk of launching a new weekly newspaper, to be quite distinctively Anglo-Catholic once again. It is said that the sponsors of that venture have both money and influence behind them, and consider the *Church Times* to be unsafe on certain points of doctrine, notably the ordination of women.

One of the many extracts from leading articles that have been put together to form a celebration supplement for the latest issue is apposite, if dated, in that context. The *Church Times* declared, on hearing that a woman was to speak in Liverpool Cathedral in July, 1926:

"The service is informal, but the innovation is none the less regrettable. It will, of course, be approved by the lay press and by Noncomformists, but it is a break with Catholic tradition, and if it were generally imitated there would certainly be increased difficulty in reunion, not only with Rome but with the Orthodox East.

"There can be no place for unauthorized eccentricity in a body that claims to be an integral part of the Church Catholic. Perhaps in the future the scope of the ministry of women may be widened, but for the moment it is definitely defined, and thus it must remain in all parts of the Catholic Church until the church, speaking with unchallengeable authority, itself decides on change."

The *Church Times* was stout for orthodoxy, rude about dissent, tetchy with signs of evangelical influence or modernistic wavering, and bitchy about Rome. Its present style and content is an accurate reflection of how far things have moved, more accurate than its evangelical rival, the *Church of England Newspaper*, which sometimes still stirs the embers of partisanship.

It carries regular and sympathetic commentaries on the Free Churches, which are no longer dismissed as mere "dissenters" or even simply as Noncomformists; and the affairs of the Roman Catholic Church are now considered fit subjects for news reporting without bias.

Its blinkers, if it has any, are those worn by the Church of England at large: most conspicuously, it has yet to discover the Christianity of the rest of Europe except for the outlying Anglican chaplaincies of the large continental cities.

Ecclesiastically, the Strait of Dover is still as wide as it was in 1863, when George Josiah Palmer, founder of the paper and great-great-grandfather of the present editor, first took up his pen and dipped it in acid.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr E. F. Nazar Jaucourt and Miss C. M. Stares
The engagement is announced between Ernesto Francesco, son of the late Mr Ernesto Nazar and of Mme Marie Therese de Jaucourt, of 21 Rue Casimir Perier, Paris, and Caroline, daughter of Brigadier and Mrs J. Stares, of Filkins, Gloucestershire.

Mr R. A. Lester and Miss L. J. Ferrar
The engagement is announced between Robert, younger son of Mr and Mrs W. F. Lester, of Solihull, West Midlands, and Leslie, only daughter of Mr and Mrs M. L. Ferrar, of Stanton-on-the-Wolds, Nottinghamshire.

Mr S. C. M. Little and Miss S. A. Connell
The engagement is announced between Simon Charles Mainwaring, son of Captain A. H. Little, CBE, RN, and Mrs Little, of Pepys Cottage, Brambridge Park, Hampshire, and Sally Ann, daughter of Mr and Mrs P. M. Connell, of Petwin Cottage, Fairfield Place, Bothwell, Lanarkshire.

Mr O. Roberts and Miss S. K. C. Tregear
The engagement is announced between Owen, only son of Mr and Mrs Emrys Roberts, of Beaumaris, Anglesey, and Sara, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs Benjamin Tregear, of East Marden, Sussex.

Mr T. M. Thatcher and Miss P. Osborne
The engagement is announced between Thomas Mark, only son of Mr and Mrs C. Thatcher, of Ley Farm, Teffont, Wiltshire, and Philippa, daughter of Mr and Mrs P. Osborne, of Forestors, Dinton Road, Fovant, Wiltshire.

Marriages

The Hon Richard Pleydell-Bouverie and Miss V. M. Waldron
The marriage took place on Saturday at the Church of St Mary the Virgin, Hambleden, Buckinghamshire, of the Hon Richard Pleydell-Bouverie, son of the late Earl of Radnor and the Dowager Countess of Radnor, of Avonturn, Aldersbury, Salisbury, and Miss Victoria Waldron, younger daughter of Mr Frank Waldron, of Pond House, Kidmore End, near Reading, and of Mrs Richard Dominick, of The Wedge, McClellanville, South Carolina. Bishop V. J. Pike and Canon W. E. Watts officiated.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by James Robson, Robert Thewes, Lady Belinda Pleydell-Bouverie, Clare Gregory-Hood, Henrietta Brocklebank and Anna Hutton. Mr Nigel Blackwell was best man.

A reception was held at the Leander Club, Henley-on-Thames, and the honeymoon will be spent abroad.

Mr N. J. Forman Hardy and Miss J. Thomas
The marriage took place on Saturday, February 4, at St Mary's Church, Great Brington, Northamptonshire, of Mr Nicholas John Forman Hardy, son of Colonel and Mrs T. E. Forman Hardy, of Car Colston Hall, Bingham, Nottinghamshire, and Miss Jane Thomas, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs E. Thomas, of Whilton Lodge, near Daventry. The Rev Allan Chappell, Vicar of Car Colston, officiated, assisted by the Rev W. G. Griffin, Rector of Brington with Whilton.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by *Caroline Simpson* and Emma Bennett. Mr Robin Battle was best man.

A reception was held at the home of the bride and the honeymoon is being spent abroad.

Appointments in the Forces

Royal Navy

VICE-ADMIRAL: Sir Lancelot Bell Davies, to be Commandant of the NATO Defence College, July.

REAR-ADMIRAL: J. O. Roberts, Retd List, April 7.

CAPTAINS: S. G. Morgan, Caledonia in Cmd, June 29; G. Pope, MOD (PE) with DG Ships as AD Design, May 12; H. W. Young, MOD as Capt Tech Intelligence (N), April 21; J. A. Moore, Thunderer as Dean of the College, June 16; D. J. N. Porter, Retd List, March 30.

COMMANDERS: D. J. Allgood, Blake, May 5; E. D. M. Floyd, MOD (PE) with DG Ships, Aug 11; P. R. Gage, Saker for duty with Defence Research Staff British Embassy Washington, Oct 16; J. M. Shea, 2 yrs Loan Service, in RAN, June 5; M. J. Howitt, Bulwark in Cmd, May 16; J. J. Blackham, Ashanti in Cmd, Feb 20; E. K. Somerville-Jones, MOD with DNAW, June 19; E. Blackman, MOD (PE) with DGS/CNNTSP as Eng Adviser to the NRPS and as INM, May 23; J. O. Winsey, MOD (PE) with DWCA/CWT as deputy CWT, June 3; T. H. Wingate, Collingwood as Cdr Digital Systems Schl, May 12; A. T. B. Simpson, Retd List, March 30; R. T. Percy, Retd List, March 30; B. C. Thomas, Retd List, March 30; W. A. Evershed, Retd List, March 30; D. J. Salmon, Retd List, March 30; P. J. F. Moore, Retd List, April 4; K. R. G. Harper, Retd List, April 3; T. P. Streatfeild James, Retd List, April 1; R. A. C. White, Retd List, April 1.

The Army

ADC TO THE QUEEN: Brig P. H. P. Webb, Feb 14.

COLONELS: Lt-Col A. B. Good, RTR, to be Col GS, MOD, Feb 17; B. H. Marcland to be Liaison Offr SHAPE/AFCENT Comd Gp (AFSOUTH), Feb 18; Lt-Col I. R. D. Shapter, R Signals, to be CO, 8 Sig Regt, Feb 16; A. Yeoman to be Col AQ, HQ Land Forces Cyprus, Feb 17.

LIEUTENANT-COLONELS: W. E. J. Allen, RCT, to be GSO1, Nigerian Army Staff College, Feb 19; D. N. Morton, QARANC, to be Dep Matron, DKMH Catterick, Feb 15; J. I. Pocock, QDG, appld CO, 1 QDG, Dec 8, 77; R. A. Preedy, RA, to be GSO1, LSP Brunei, Feb 19; G. M. Stewart, RAMC, to be ADAH, HQ SE Dist, Feb 20.

Royal Air Force

AIR COMMODORES: J. B. Duxbury to MOD as Secretary Chiefs of Staff Committee, Feb 3; D. W. Richardson to HQRAFG as Air Officer Engineering, Feb 16; D. McL. Scrimgeour to HQ RAFSC as Air Cdre Flying Training, Feb 18.

GROUP CAPTAIN (acting Air Commodore): E. S. Williams to British Embassy Moscow as Defence Attaché, Feb 14.

GROUP CAPTAIN: J. P. Downes to be Aide-de-Camp to the Queen, Feb 3.

WING COMMANDERS: P. B. Holmes to RAF PMC as ADPM 3, Jan 30; J. R. Watts to RAF PMC as member AMP's Personnel Liaison Team, Feb 6; G. F. Poyser to AAFCE as Ex Plans Officer, Feb 15; W. L. Smyth to AAFCE as Chf War Plans, Feb 14; R. A. E. Storer to Farnborough as SA2, Feb 16; D. L. Bywater to MOD(CS) as DORS 3, Feb 17.

SQUADRON LEADERS (acting Wing Commander): D. J. B. Valentine to HQ RAFSC as CA2, Jan 30; R. M. Smith to RAF Uxbridge as OC Admin Wg, Feb 5.

MEDICAL

WING COMMANDERS: M. P. N. Adolph to MOD as MA4 (RAF), Feb 13; E. M. Booth to RAF Institute of Community Medicine Halton as SMO Environmental Division, Feb 13.

LEGAL

GROUP CAPTAIN: G. N. Forman to HQRAFG as DDLS (RAF), Feb 13.

OBITUARY

DR J. B. CONANT

Former President of Harvard

Dr J. B. Conant, who was President of Harvard University from 1933 to 1953, died on February 11. He was 84. By turns research chemist, university teacher, administrator, and diplomat, he was quietly but brilliantly excellent in all he undertook. He may finally be best remembered for his work on chlorophyll and other aspects of organic chemistry; but, as one of Harvard's youngest presidents, he left his mark on the university; and his unexpected translation to the diplomatic sphere, at the age of 60, as High Commissioner to West Germany, was an inspired move by President Eisenhower.

James Bryant Conant was born at Dorchester, Massachusetts on March 26, 1893. He was educated at the Roxbury Latin School, near Boston, and even in adolescence showed an interest in chemistry which led his father to build him a small laboratory in the garden. He entered Harvard in 1910, graduated BA in 1913, and during the summer of that year worked in the laboratory of a steel company. He considered adopting a career as an industrial chemist; but changed his mind, and returned to his chemical studies as a research student at Harvard, where he took his PhD in 1913. He then became an instructor in the chemistry department. On the entry of the United States into the First World War, he was appointed to the Chemical Warfare Service in Washington. In the last year of the war having risen to the rank of major, he was engaged on the establishment of a large gas-production unit at Cleveland, Ohio, working especially on Lewisite.

He returned to Harvard in 1919 as Assistant Professor of Chemistry and five years later lectured at the summer school of the University of California. In 1925 he spent some eight months in Germany, studying methods of research, returning to Harvard as Associate Professor and receiving the rank of full Professor in 1927. Two years later he was elected to the Sheldon Emery chair of organic chemistry and in 1931 became chairman of the chemical department in the university.

Conant specialized in the field of organic chemistry. Apart from papers in the scientific journals, he wrote *Practical Chemistry* (with N. H. Black, 1920); *Organic Chemistry* (1928); and *The Chemistry of Organic Compounds* (1933). He produced notable original work on free radicals, oxidate reduction, and haemoglobin. Intensive study over a period of four years on chlorophyll established the essential structure of its molecule, and by 1932 he had thrown new light on photosynthesis. This achievement won him the William H. Nichols medal of the American Chemical Society and the Chandler medal of Columbia University. He was also elected to the American Academy of Arts and Sciences and to the board of scientific directors of the Rockefeller Institute. Later he was honoured by Oxford University which created him an honorary DCL in 1936 and by Cambridge University with an honorary DSc in 1941.

In 1933, at the early age of 40, Conant was appointed President of Harvard University, only the second of its presidents to be a scientist (the other being Charles W. Eliot, also a chemist. Academic freedom was a principle very close to his heart; and quite early in his presidency he became involved in a conflict then raging in the state of Massachusetts over the proposal that state teachers should subscribe to certain political tests. This had for many years been a burning question in the American educational world and it became acute after the discovery of atomic fission. In this particular controversy Conant stood strongly for freedom and had his way.

Inside Harvard itself Conant introduced measures tending towards greater flexibility in the curriculum and more collaboration between the various departments. Deprecating too narrow a specialization, he introduced new professorships of which the incumbents could move from one department to another. He also created and presided over the Harvard Council of the Faculty of Arts and Sciences. He established Harvard National Scholarships, awarded on merit rather than on financial need, set up new schools, modified regulations to give students greater freedom of choice in courses, and in certain departments made revolutionary changes in tutorial techniques.

In the early days of the Second World War Conant incurred vigorous criticism from the isolationist wing because of his advocacy of all-out aid to Britain. Quite early in the Hitler régime he had made his anti-Nazi position clear and he was an early and active member of the Committee to Defend America by Aiding the Allies. From 1940 onwards he was chairman of the National Defense Research Committee. Early in 1941 he came to England as the head of a small group of scholars deputed to exchange scientific information with Britain and two years later published *Our Fighting Faith*, a series of addresses to college students. Other works included *On Understanding Science* (1948), *Education in a Divided World* (1948), *Science and Common Sense* (1951), *Education and Liberty* (1953), *Two Modes of Thought* (1964) and *My Several Lives* (1970).

By January, 1953, when President Eisenhower nominated him to be High Commissioner in Western Germany, he had given many indications of being a constructive thinker on world affairs. He had a background of literature, history, and economics far beyond that of the average scientist; and more than matched up to the circumstances, carrying out his responsible duties with tact and understanding. In June, 1953, Eisenhower raised him to ambassadorial rank; and in 1955, in conformity with Western Germany's new status, he was appointed Ambassador to the Federal Republic.

Conant resigned his post in Bonn in 1957 and returned to the United States. His keen interest in education was undimmed and he set to work on a definitive two-year study of American high schools, his findings being published in 1959 under the title, *The American High School To-day*. He had been much concerned over Russian advances in education, science and industry and felt that much needed to be done in American education.

In his report he was one of the first to tackle the many controversial problems of the American high school curriculum. He urged a much wider range of subjects and study and said he felt that a number of high school students who were going on to colleges giving a four-year course would be better off in two-year colleges.

Academic honours were showered on him from all parts of the world. Universities in the United States bestowed honorary degrees on him as did the Universities of Bristol, Toronto, McGill, London, Lyons, Melbourne and Canterbury, New Zealand. He was an Hon Fellow of Emannel College, Cambridge and a Foreign member of the Royal Society. His own country awarded him the Medal of Merit and in 1948 he was made an honorary CBE.

In 1921 he married Miss Grace Thayer Richards, of Boston. They had two sons.

Latest pamphlets

History of village shows benevolence of pit owner

Pope and Pearson and Silkstone Buildings. By John Goodchild. In the days when consumers bought their coal on the reputation of individual collieries the Silkstone seam was highly regarded. The colliery was closed during the 1960s and Lower Altofts, near Wakefield, the colliery village, is now best known for its Silkstone Row, reputedly the longest three-storey terrace in Europe, although now this landmark for M62 motorway traffic is under threat of demolition.

Mr Goodchild, a local historian and authority on coal mining history, has written a short but interesting account of the origins of the West Riding colliery and community, which throws up some fascinating sociological sidelights. The original owners were leaders in colliery mechanization as well as being conscious of social obligations to the workforce, many of whom were recruited from as far away as Somerset and Devon.

To house the increasing numbers of workers as mines were sunk deeper, three colliery villages, two of which survive, were developed in the area. Besides housing, the colliery owners provided educational and leisure facilities and a cooperative shop.

Architectural Heritage: Wakefield District Group, 30 Newland Court, Wakefield. 15p (postage 10p).

Dearth and Distress in Yorkshire, 1793-1802. By R. A. E. Wells. A series of poor harvests during the last decade of the eighteenth century led to two crises in which grain supplies were in short supply and cereal prices rocketed. The effects were national in their application, but the West Riding's experience was more severe than in most other places and left a deep imprint economically, socially and politically.

The effects on living standards of rural and industrial workers have been charted and present a vivid picture. Changes in diet and the benevolence of employers and pawnbrokers were palliatives; ultimately there was dependence on relief from organized charities and the poor law.

Relief, however, was neither sufficiently universal nor adequate to prevent intense suffering to all but the highest paid industrial workers. The immediate result was increased criminality, attacks on corn merchants' premises and rioting from sheer desperation.

Normality was restored through a variety of reasons, notably careful direction of relief, moderation in handling the violence, and an improvement in the situation at a crucial time.

Mr Wells has detailed the deep effects of a crucial decade and carefully placed them in their long-term social and political context.

University of York, St Anthony's Press, St Anthony's Hall, York. 80p (postage 10p).

Memories of Hornsey. By Edwin Monks. This book is something of a rarity. Mr Monk, at the age of 97, has jotted down his memories of Hornsey in the days when it was still a country district with mansions and their spacious grounds stretching from Muswell Hill to Hornsey Village, now part of sprawling London suburbia. A local historian, Joan Schwitzer, has usefully amplified the topographical information. Mr Monks's account of a Victorian childhood will evoke memories for older readers, and the book as a whole is a useful contribution to the history of expanding London and the transition of the area from country to town.

Hornsey Historical Society, 50 Collingwood Avenue, London, N10. 95p (postage 20p).

Cyril Bainbridge

Braque lithograph makes record price of £9,278

By Geraldine Norman
Sale Room Correspondent

All the most expensive modern prints in Sotheby's New York sale on Friday were bought by a European private collector, according to the auctioneers. The top price was $42,500 (estimate $38,000 to $45,000) or £21,907, for Edvard Munch's famous colour lithograph of 1901, "Weibliche Aktfigur—die sünde".

There were two new auction records, for Braque and the Russian artist, El Lissitzky. The first, $18,000 (estimate $10,000 to $14,000), or £9,278, was paid for Braque's colour lithograph or 1953, "Feuilles couleur lumière"; the second, $13,000 (estimate $6,000 to $7,000), or £6,701, for El Lissitzky's 1923 lithograph design for the "sculptural organization" of an "electro-mechanical display" modelled on the opera, *Victory over the Sun*.

Other high prices included $21,000 (estimate $17,000 to $19,000), or £11,052 for Rouault's series of 58 aquatints, the "Miserere", and $11,000 (estimate $10,000 to $11,000) or £5,670 for a single plate from Picasso's Vollard suite, the etching, "Faune dévoilant une femme".

The two-session sale of Old Master and modern prints totalled £256,977, with 3 per cent unsold, topping Sotheby's estimate.

A sale of English furniture and decorations at Sotheby Park Bernet in New York on Saturday made £85,850, with 16 of 182 lots unsold. The top price was $5,750 (estimate $3,000 to $5,000) or £2,964 paid by a Georgia dealer for a George III inlaid mahogany secretaire-bookcase.

HARRY MARTINSON

Harry Martinson, the Swedish poet and novelist, died on February 11 at the age of 73. Martinson was one of the best known of the Swedish "proletarian" school of writers outside his native country and was with another Swedish writer, Eyvind Johnson, the joint recipient of the 1974 Nobel Prize for Literature.

Martinson was born at Jämshög in Southern Sweden in 1904, the son of a sea captain. His father died when he was six and his mother left him and his sisters in Sweden and emigrated to California. Brought up in a succession of foster homes Martinson went to sea as a cabin boy and spent a number of years as a seaman and stoker with long periods ashore as a casual labourer and wanderer in various parts of the world.

His first collection of poems, *Spökskepp* (*Ghost Ship*) was much influenced by Rudyard Kipling's *The Seven Seas* and appeared in 1929. Volumes of poems followed, including *Nomad* a collection of lyrics in free verse form in 1931 and two novels *Nässlorna blomma* (*The Flowering Nettle*, 1935) and *Vagen ut* (*The Way Out*, 1936), two zestful works in which Martinson described his childhood.

In 1940 Martinson joined the Swedish volunteer force which fought against the Russians in Finland and in that year *Verklight til döds* (*Realism Unto Death*) appeared.

Postwar poetry included *Aniara* a long poem about a spaceship which drifts endlessly into the void but Martinson's more enduring work was in shorter lyric forms in which he was a powerful evoker of wild nature, animals and flora and natural phenomena. sharply observed *Aniara* was later set to music as an opera by the Swedish composer Karlbirger Blomdahl.

His reputation made its greatest stride internationally with the publication of *Vagen till Klockricke* published in English as *The Road* in 1948. A formless, rambling novel about the life of a tramp which carried Martinson's oft spelt out message, that of the necessity of escaping from modern technological life by turning one's back on it, the novel nevertheless contained much graphic writing drawn from his personal experience, and won him election to the Swedish Academy.

A sense of alienation from modern society dominated all Martinson's later poetry which included *Gräsen i Thule* (*The Grasses in Thule*, 1958), and *Vagnen* (*The Wagon*, 1960). Martinson also wrote a number of plays including *Tre knivar fran Wei* (*Three Knives from the Wei*, 1964) and he also published memoirs and essays.

He was twice married.

Mr Hugh Percy the former North Northumberland coroner, whose father was coroner before him and whose son Mr Ian Percy now holds the post, has died at the age of 94. He held the coroner's post and the position of clerk to East Coquetdale justices for 40 years.

Lady Matthews, widow of Sir Arthur Matthews, OBE, died in a motor accident on January 6. She was Constance Dorothy, daughter of William Morris and she married Sir Arthur Matthews as his second wife in 1933. He died in 1971.

Señor Blas Perez Gonzalez, who was General Franco's Interior Minister from 1942 to 1957, died on February 7. He was 81. Perez began his career as a law professor in Barcelona. During the Civil War he served as the chief of a team of legal advisers to General Franco.

Lady Upton, widow of Sir Everard Upton, died on February 2 at the age of 92. She was Hazel Edith, daughter of Lieutenant-Colonel J. M. Carpendale, Bengal Lancers, and she was married in 1906. Her husband died in 1937.

25 years ago

From The Times of Wednesday, Feb 11, 1953

Arrests of Nazis

From Our Own Correspondent

The German authorities swooped down today on the Freikorps Deutschland, a nakedly Nazi organization, the members of which hold themselves still bound by the oath sworn to Hitler and who regard the former Grand Admiral Dönitz—now serving his sentence in the Spandau prison with other criminals—as the legitimate successor of Hitler. During the last days in the bunker of the chancery in Berlin Hitler transferred power to Dönitz . . . Freikorps Deutschland was established in Hamburg on August 17, 1951, but in the records the date was put back to July 20, the anniversary of the bomb plot against Hitler. This was done as a protest against those officers of the Wehrmacht who took part in the attempt to overthrow the Nazi regime in 1944. The Freikorps Deutschland was organized on para-military and in some respects on purely military lines.

University news

York
The honorary degree of Doctor of the University will be conferred at the annual degree ceremony in July on: Mr H. M. Colvin, Dr Christopher Hill, Mr A. Hyatt King, and Professor Niklaus Wirth.

Grant
£15,310 from the Science Research Council over three years for the distribution and further development of a compiler for the programming language Modula.

Stirling
Mr James Munn, chairman of the Munn committee on secondary education in Scotland, will receive the honorary degree of Doctor of the University at a graduation ceremony on February 25.

Church news

Resignations

The Rev B. Butterworth, Vicar of St Saviour's, Ringley, diocese of Manchester.

The Rev A. J. Couling, Rector of Bleadon, diocese of Bath and Wells (April 30).

The Rev W. F. Cox, Vicar of Burrington with Langford, diocese of Bath and Wells (May 31).

Canon S. F. W. Powell, Rector of Clipston, diocese of Peterborough (April 30).

The Rev S. Smith, priest-in-charge of Foulness, diocese of Chelmsford (April 30).

The Rev C. P. Wright, Vicar of Lyddington with Stoke Dry and Seaton, Rutland, diocese of Peterborough (May 1).

Church of Scotland
Appointment

The Rev W. Ewart, Dunfermline-Townhill, Presbytery of Dunfermline, to Bishopbriggs-Springfield Cambridge, Presbytery of Glasgow.

£50,000 winner

The weekly £50,000 Premium Savings Bond prize, announced on Saturday, was won by 5FW 104656. The winner lives in Manchester.

The 25 £1,000 winners are:

2 BF 825926	5 SZ 500770
2 FW 123960	7 SF 019125
6 FZ 769009	1 TP 002744
8 FL 480855	4 TP 781125
5 HN 663143	11 VW 878005
4 JT 333634	13 VW 047859
KT 417076	13 WB 937998
4 KB 230123	4 XZ 830178
8 KF 350054	6 YT 196752
7 MZ 133397	12 YB 754168
2 QP 808008	9 ZS 428435
2 RZ 870465	14 ZN 931604
1 SN 251812	

Service dinner

Liverpool University OTC
Liverpool University Officers Training Corps held their annual dinner in Liverpool on Saturday. Among the guests were Brigadier Sir Douglas Crawford, Lord Lieutenant of Merseyside, and General Sir Noel Thomas. Major A. Cross presided.

Latest wills

£3,902,303 estate and no will

Mr Philip Edward Rose, of Marylebone, London, left £3,902,303 net. He died intestate.

Other estates include (net, before tax paid; tax not disclosed):

Ambrose, Daphne Elizabeth, of Tunbridge Wells, intestate .. £156,465
Blackburn, Mrs Joan Audrey, of St Annes-on-Sea .. £188,288
Bolton, Mr Frank Arthur, of Nottingham £197,575
Ford, Miss Irene Harriet May, of Bournemouth £161,081
Gracey, Major Thomas William, of Ashburton, Devon .. £171,937
Storey, Mr Matthew John, of Feltwell, Norfolk £184,400
Tetley, Penelope Jefferson, of Bath £199,482
White-Cooper, Mrs Mary Carlile, of Holland Park, London £145,561

Law Report February 10 1978 — Chancery Division

The case of the comma substitute

In re Steel Will Trusts
Before Sir Robert Megarry, Vice-Chancellor
[Judgment delivered February 8]

His Lordship held that in circumstances where a testator left gifts of between £25 and £250 and "any residue to be divided between those beneficiaries who have only received small amounts", the residue should be divided equally between all the beneficiaries and in mathematical rather than proportionate shares. The residue was £14,300.

The action was brought by the Public Trustee as executor of the will of Mr Gordon William Wilson Steel, of Barrow-in-Furness, Cumbria, to establish whether the residuary gift was void for uncertainty and, if not, how the gift should be divided among the claimant legatees.

Mr R. M. K. Gray for the Public Trustee; Mr Gordon Nurse for the Christian Aid Society; Mr J. M. Henty, Mr Robert Wakefield, Mr Spencer Maurice; Mr T. D. Baxendale and Mr M. R. King for the other claimants.

HIS LORDSHIP said that the testator, who had been an estimating manager at Vickers, made a will in his own hand on June 16, 1970, and appointed the Public Trustee as his executor. He died without issue on October 17, 1975, aged 83. The will consisted of legacies of £25, £50, £100, £200 and £250 to relatives, friends and two institutions. Then came the words "Any residue remaining to be divided between those beneficiaries who have only received small amounts." What was the meaning and effect of those words? Did they mean that all the beneficiaries took or only those who were to receive "small amounts"? And what was "small"? If the residuary gift was valid, should the legatees receive equal shares or shares in proportion to the size of their legacy?

Two constructions had been offered. According to the first, the words "who had only received small amounts" were words of qualification, or of exclusion, especially if one emphasized the word "only". Only those would receive who belonged to the category of those who received "small amounts" properly so called. According to the second construction, the words were words of explanation, referring to all: the legatees, so that the testator was acknowledging that he had given small amounts to them all.

His Lordship, construing the residuary gift on its own and as a matter of wording, would have preferred the first construction, but he said one must recognize that one need only insert a comma between "beneficiaries" and "who" to make the words words of explanation. There was no comma in the original will, which had been handwritten on a will form. Probate had been granted to a typewritten copy. There appeared to be no commas at all in the handwritten part. There were a number of dots in places where a full stop might be expected; otherwise there seemed to be no punctuation.

The first 15 legacies were written down continuously but, over the page, the remaining 10 were written each one on a new line. The words beginning "Any residue . . ." themselves started a new line and, though there remained plenty of room for the "who" on the same line, "who have only received small amounts" also began a new line: The effect was to produce a gap or "comma substitute". That was a slender indication, in one who apparently did not use commas and paid little attention to punctuation, that the words were words of qualification and not explanation.

There was a further pointer. The testator had given a list of legacies of precise amounts. It seemed unlikely that he would then make a gift to a particular category as recipients of so obviously an uncertain and provocative phrase as "small amounts".

One should also consider the effect of the granting out of residue of amounts to some only of the beneficiaries. It might carry the recipients from the least to the most favoured category. That would import to the testator an intention to use obscurity to achieve the capricious. The words in question were mere words of explanation, and their precise meaning of little or no importance. All the legatees should take irrespective of the size of their legacies.

How should the division be made; equally between the legatees or in proportion to the size of the legacy of each? In favour of equal division there was the maxim "Equality is equity", and *In re Bower's Settlement Trusts* ([1942] Ch 197). In that case Mr Justice Morton said that, in the absence of an indication of a contrary intention, an accruer clause in a settlement took effect in equal and not proportionate shares. Since the settlement was in terms of shares, one would have thought that, if anything, a proportionate rather than the equal basis chosen was the natural basis of division. In the present action, where the legacies were of fixed amounts, the division was more naturally on an equal basis.

Did equality mean mathematical equality or proportionable equality? In *Steel v Dixon* ((1881) 17 ChD 825) Mr Justice Fry said that sureties for unequal amounts must contribute proportionately to the amount for which each was a surety. Equality did not necessarily mean mathematical equality.

Mr Nurse argued that as legacies abated proportionately if the estate was insufficient, so they ought to increase proportionately if there was a gift of surplus to the legatees. Such abatement was made in the name of fairness, but what a testator gave was not a matter of fairness. He might give as he wished.

In cases, like the present, of doubt where the will was in the testator's own handwriting and the testator seemed of no great degree of sophistication, and as a matter of last resort, the simplicity of mathematical equality was to be preferred to any process of proportionate division.

The residue was therefore to be divided in equal shares, the gift being not void for uncertainty. His Lordship said that since the words "who have only received small amounts" were not words of qualification, there was no need for him to decide what might have been meant by "small amounts".

Solicitors: Ingledew, Brown, Bennison & Garrett: Trustee and five of the other defendants; Hewitt, Woollacott & Chown for Christian Aid.

Parliamentary diary

House of Commons

Feb 6: Home Purchase Assistance and Housing Corporation Guarantee Bill read a first time. Debate on Soviet aims in Africa; closure motion rejected by 180 votes to 142 and the debate adjourned. Motion to set up select committee in connection with sound broadcasting of proceedings agreed to. Amendment to appoint a manager of broadcasting operations rejected by 64 votes to 53 and an amendment to establish a broadcasting unit rejected by 68 votes to 4?. Motion on Committee of Privileges third report in the last session of Parliament agreed to. Adjournment debate about outer city by-pass for Edinburgh. House adjourned, 12.37 am (Tuesday).

Feb 7: Motion to introduce Sale of Council Houses Bill refused by 219 votes to 207. Debate on misuse of Government discretionary powers on motion for the adjournment. Motion rejected by 292 votes to 278. Shipbuilding (Redundancy Payments) Bill passed the remaining stages. Adjournment debate about Anglian Water Authority. House adjourned, 12.26 am (Wednesday).

Feb 8: Employment Subsidies Bill and Sea Fish (Conservation) (Amendment) (Scotland) Bill read a first time. Motion to introduce Overseas Aid Bill rejected by 219 votes to 141. European Assembly Elections Bill completed the committee stage. Adjournment debate about case of Mr George Hendry. House adjourned, 12.55 am (Thursday).

Feb 9: Chronically Sick and Disabled Persons (Northern Ireland) Bill read a first time. Inner Urban Areas Bill read a second time. Adjournment debate about homeworkers. House adjourned, 10 27 pm.

Feb 10: Writ issued for Redbridge, Ilford, North by-election. Protection of Children Bill read a second time. Adjournment debate about Post Office proposals in Isle of Wight. House adjourned, 4.30 pm.

House of Lords

Feb 7: Suppression of Terrorism Bill read a second time. Representation of the People (Amendment) Regulations, Representation of the People (Scotland) (Amendment) Regulations, and Representation of the People (Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Regulations all agreed to. Debate on EEC Committee reports on research and development.

Feb 8: Shipbuilding Redundancy Bill read a first time. Debates on North Sea oil and on the firemen's strike. House adjourned, 8.2 pm.

Feb 9: Education (Northern Ireland) Bill passed the report stage. Slaughter of Poultry Act 1967 Extension Order agreed to. Debates on helicopter industry and on option mortgage scheme. House adjourned, 6.6 pm.

Parliamentary notices

House of Commons

Today at 2.30: Debate on public purchasing and the abuse of ministerial power. Motion on financial assistance to opposition parties.

Tomorrow at 2.30: Progress on report on Scotland Bill.

Wednesday at 2.30: Further progress on report on Scotland Bill. Motion on Medicines (Exemptions from Restrictions on the Retail Supply of Veterinary Drugs) Order.

Thursday at 2.30: Remaining stages of the European Assembly Elections Bill.

Friday at 11: Private Members' Bills: Post Office Workers (Industrial Action) Bill. Representation of the People (Amendment) Bill second readings.

Select committees

Today: Expenditure: Education, Arts and Home Office sub-committee. Subject: The Reduction of Pressure on the Prison Service. Witness: Mr Charles Irving, MP. Room 15, 4.15 pm. Tomorrow: Nationalised Industries: Subcommittee A. Subject: National Bus Company Report and Accounts. Witnesses: National Bus Company. Room 8, 4 pm.

Wednesday: Science and Technology: General Purposes sub-committee. Subject: Durability and efficiency of electric lamps. Witness: Mr I. D. M. Meiklejohn. Room 16, 10.50 am.

Nationalised Industries: Sub-committee B. Subject: British National Oil Corporation. Report and Accounts. Witnesses: British National Oil Corporation. Room 8, 10.45 am.

Overseas Development: Subject: Renegotiation of the Lomé Convention. Witness: Mr Edmund Dell, Secretary of State for Trade. Room 6, 4.15 pm.

Expenditure: Social Services and Employment sub-committee. Subject: Employment and Training. Witnesses: NUT and Manpower Services Commission. Room 15, 4.30 pm.

House of Lords

Tomorrow at 2.30: Domestic Proceedings and Magistrates' Courts Bill, committee. Beef Premiums (Protection of Payments) Order. Participation Agreements Bill, committee. Abingdon Market Place Bill, Christ Church, Woburn Square, and Saint Matthew, Oakley Square, Bill, Kendale Market Bill, Mile End Gardens (Portsmouth) Bill and Union Theological College of the Prebyterian Church of Ireland Bill, all second readings. Debate on Rhodesia.

Wednesday at 2.30: Debate on the purchase of land for industrial purposes and on pay in the public sector.

Thursday at 3: Education (Northern Ireland) Bill, third reading. Industrial and Provident Societies Bill, committee. Property (Northern Ireland) Order. Industries Development (Northern Ireland) Order. Rehabilitation of Offenders (Northern Ireland) Order.

Select committees

European Communities subcommittee F (Energy, Transport and Research). Subject: EEC coal industry. Witnesses: British electricity supply industry. 11 am.

Science report

Genetics: Laboratory safety tests

A three-month period of tests is beginning in order to check the safety of a new research centre of the European Molecular Biology Laboratory, designed for work on recombinant DNA, or the studies known more popularly as genetic engineering, in which genes are transferred from one organism to another to change characteristics.

In a short progres report Sir John Kendrew, director-general of the laboratory and a Nobel prizewinner, explains the necessity for special facilities not generally available in ordinary biological laboratories. The new one was designed to satisfy the most stringent safety conditions and is described as in some ways superior to the laboratories of the Microbiological Research Establishment at Porton, hitherto regarded as the safest laboratories in Europe.

There are 17 member states of the European Molecular Biology Laboratory, which has its research centre in Heidelberg. The manipulation of genetic material is only about 10 per cent of planned research into understanding the mechanism of plant and animal cells. But the technique is regarded as having immense potential applications for medicine, agriculture and industry.

The applications include the large-scale industrial production of medically important substances such as insulin, antibiotics and growth hormone. They are obtainable only in small quantities from animal tissues. But a method for endowing micro-organisms with the capacity to synthesize the materials to be cultured on a large scale is among the shorter-term aims of genetic engineering.

Longer-term applications would come with a deeper understanding of the regulatory mechanisms of the cell, which are highly relevant to combating diseases such as cancer, and in the correction of hereditary defects

Excitement generated by the potential of recombinant DNA has stimulated many scientific groups in Europe to work in the field. However, the necessary special facilities are for the most part not available in their own laboratories.

The new one will be suitable for work with all kinds of living tissues: animal, plant or bacterial, non-pathogenic or pathogenic, although there are no plans at present for experiments with pathogens. Indeed, it is anxiety about the accidental creation of organisms dangerous to people and animals through genetic manipulation that has caused considerable opposition to such research.

By Pearce Wright
Science Editor

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Although both the Prime Minister's office and the Ministry of Finance had earlier denied that a monetary conference was taking place this weekend, diplomatic sources in Paris later confirmed that the Americans had convened a meting with key allied partners to coordinate tactics to beat a new speculative wave against the dollar. French government officials later confirmed the report, according to UPI news agency, but declined to elaborate on decisions reached by the five.

The arrival of Mr Blumenthal lent confirmation to reports of a meeting of finance ministers, although the American Embassy stated yesterday morning that he had had no contact with members of any government, but had merely called a meeting of America diplomats and officials.

That was true this morning, but no longer true in the afternoon.

The last meeting of the "big five" had been kept a close secret, which only came out a few days later. There is no shortage of monetary problems for the ministers to discuss, beginning with the franc, which has been slipping badly as all opinion polls agree in forecasting victory for the left in the French election in March.

Gretel Spitzer writes from Berlin: This morning Herr Schmidt, the West German Chancellor, and Mr Blumenthal meet in Bonn for discussions on currency issues and the state of the world economy. Mr Blumenthal will also confer with Herr Hans Apel, the Finance Minister, and Herr Hans Matthöfer, his appointed successor.

Finnmark decision: Mr Mauno Koivisto Governor of the Bank of Finland, said in a television interview last night that his board was ready to put forward a proposal for the devaluation of the Finnmark in the aftermath of Norway's krone devaluation on Friday night. Asked if the figure 5 to 8 per cent mentioned in the newspaper *Helsingin Sanomat* on Sunday was correct Mr Koivisto said it was "as good a figure as anything else", but no higher.

Strike issue at Speke may be put to vote

By R. W. Shakespeare

Senior British Leyland management men and national union officials are due to begin fresh talks tomorrow on the 15-week strike at the Triumph car plant on Merseyside, against the background of a warning from Mr Pat Lowry, the group's director of personnel and administration, that the future of the entire operation there is now in jeopardy.

The strike has been made official by the Transport and General Workers Union, and the executive of the Amalgamated Union of Engineering Workers is expected to make a similar decision tomorrow. This means that if the two sides can agree on some formula to resolve the dispute over manning and production arrangements the union leaders can order a mass meeting of the 2,000 strikers and take a vote.

So far, shop stewards who have been leading the strike on an unofficial basis have shown reluctance to call such a meeting. The strikers have met only once—soon after the strike began on November 1.



Mr Pat Lowry: "Doubtful if it is worth while continuing."

In one of the longest and costliest of Leyland Cars' disputes, production losses of TR7 and Dolomite cars total about £100m.

Shop stewards have claimed that the company broke local agreements by introducing new working arrangements based on studies carried out by industrial engineers.

The company maintains that its decision to go ahead with these new arrangements was made only after it had conducted eight months of negotiations in which it exhausted fully the negotiating procedures agreed with the car unions.

Just before the weekend Mr Lowry sent a letter to union officials in which he warned them: "It must now be very doubtful if it is worth while continuing to operate the plant with all its costs."

He pointed out that, with the TR7 sports car having been out of production for so long (few have been made since August of last year) selling it in a competitive market would mean "virtually starting again from the beginning—with the added disadvantage of the model's past history".

This letter followed weeks of growing speculation on Merseyside about the future of the plant at Speke, Liverpool. There have been mounting fears that Mr Michael Edwardes, Leyland's chairman, will decide to close the TR7 and body-making operations there as part of his new plan for Leyland Cars.

Growth doubts limit Budget options

By Melvyn Westlake

Newly-completed Treasury forecasts, on which Mr Healey will base his Budget strategy in eight weeks, are believed to show that the economy is now growing significantly less quickly than appeared likely only last October.

It now seems probable, given the financial constraints within which Mr Healey must frame his Budget measures, that he will not be able to boost the economy sufficiently to get it back on track, for 3½ per cent growth, before the final months of this year.

The latest National Income Forecasts have just arrived on the Chancellor's desk as he is getting down to a period of intensive pre-Budget preparation.

The forecasts, parts of which will be published on April 11 when Mr Healey unveils his promised tax cuts, are decidedly less favourable, in some respects, than the predictions made last autumn at the time of the Chancellor's October mini-Budget of tax reductions and public spending increases.

With the help of these measures the economy was expected to expand at a rate of 3½ per cent between the second half of 1977 and the second half of 1978.

It now seems that the economy is growing at a rate closer to 2½ per cent. The problem for the Chancellor, however, is that to get the rate of growth back to 3½ per cent quickly may require him to stimulate the economy more than he dares.

On some gloomy estimates circulating within the Treasury, the gross cost to the Exchequer of quick-acting measures to boost national output by 1 per cent, could be unacceptably large because of leakages through higher imports and increased savings, as well as possibly higher interest rates.

It is already apparent that the scale of the tax cuts being considered in Whitehall is a good deal less than the £3,000m handout suggested by some economists, and nothing remotely like the £6,000m suggested by some trade union leaders.

The likelihood points to somewhere between £1,500m and £2,500m. On the basis of the present less buoyant calculations this may not be sufficient to restore the growth rate to 3½ per cent until 1979.

Part of the reason for the present slower rate of growth is the continuing deep recession in other major industrial countries. The Treasury had previously been expecting world trade in manufactures to rise by about 9 per cent between 1977 and 1978. It now looks more likely to be around 6 or 7 per cent.

Moreover the rise in the pound's exchange rate has made British exports less competitive than once assumed, inevitably reducing the demand for our goods overseas.

At the same time large groups of workers have delayed making new wage settlements to see what emerged as the going rate for pay increases under phase three of the Government's pay policy. The result is that the expected rise in consumer spending has been late in coming.

As there are still high levels of stocks held by industry, it will take some time, in any case, for any consumer boom to affect the level of output. It is also possible that underspending by the public sector could be greater than allowed for in the October forecasts.

Treasury officials have made it clear recently that they believe a 3½ per cent growth rate is the most that the economy can bear without running into serious balance of payments problems. But, it is apparent from last month's Expenditure White Paper that this growth rate remains the ultimate objective.

However, an attempt to achieve it quickly could run rapidly into problems over the size of the public sector borrowing requirement and the limits imposed on the expansion on the money supply.

Given these considerations, the Chancellor might logically be expected to design his measures to benefit the poorest in the community. This group could be expected to spend their higher incomes most swiftly. If the married man's allowance and the single person's allowance were each raised £100, that would cost the Exchequer about £900m.

Alternatively, Mr Healey could introduce a new tax band of 25 per cent on the first £1,000 of taxable income. That would cost the Exchequer £2,000m. Both these measures would go some way to helping the poorest. It would also cost £2,000m to reduce the standard rate of income tax from 34 per cent to 30 per cent.

If you want the time don't ask an EEC man

Space-time paradoxes of Einstein's Theory of Relativity are as nothing to the chaos of clocks that now confront the European traveller. Prompted by the European Commission, fresh attempts to put some order in this anarchy were initiated by EEC foreign ministers last week.

What the Commission is proposing looks unexceptionable enough: starting from next year all EEC member states should give themselves an extra hour of daylight in the summer and in doing so put their clocks forward and back on the same dates.

This would, of course, mean that the northerly British and Irish would be exactly one hour behind their seven EEC partners throughout the year, because they are both on GMT during winter instead of Central European Time (GMT plus one) like the rest of the Community.

British experiments in the early 1970s with year-round alignment on continental time had to be abandoned because of popular dislike of long dark winter mornings, particularly in the north and Scotland. So complete unison of Europe's clocks is not possible.

The Commission is simply trying to tidy up the existing confusion. At present, only seven of the Nine put their clocks forward in the summer. Germany and Denmark being the odd men out. But the seven themselves apply three different periods of sommertime.

The British and Irish enjoy nearly six-and-a-half months, the French and the three Benelux countries take five, while the naturally sun-bathed Italians feel they need only four. The result is a mosaic of shifting time zones hardly conducive to the theme of European unity.

Thus this year the British will be one hour behind the French until March 19, when they will close the gap by putting their clocks forward. But this harmony will end two weeks later, when the French put their clocks forward. The one-hour gap will vanish again on October 1, when French clocks go back, only to reappear on October 29, when British clocks do the same.

The main obstacle to a more rational arrangement is West Germany, which is opposed to introducing summertime at all unless East Germany can be persuaded to do likewise. The thought of two time zones in Berlin, underscoring the political division of that unhappy city, is anathema to the Bonn government.

Even without the German problem, however, the chances of getting agreement on a uniform period of summertime—the Commission has proposed April 1 to October 14 for next year—seem slim. A serious hurdle here are the British who are particularly loath to put their clocks back earlier than the end of October.

Michael Hornsby
in Brussels

Employers say wage sanctions 'impractical'

By Paul Routledge

One of the most influential private employers' bodies has warned the Government that its plans to compel observance of the wage restraint guidelines through public contracting policy are unworkable.

Leaders of the Engineering Employers' Federation have written to Mr Hattersley, Secretary of State for Prices and Consumer Protection, arguing that the Cabinet's tough new attitude was "impracticable and unreasonable" and would not contribute to the control of inflation.

In his letter to Mr Hattersley, Mr Anthony Frodsham, the director-general of the EEF, calls on ministers to reconsider their insistence that government contracts should include a clause requiring obedience to the wage bargaining rules.

He says: "The requirement which makes the contractor responsible for the actions of all his subcontractors, not only in complying with incomes policy but also in notifying the Purchasing Department and the Department of Employment of all wage settlements, is impractical."

On large contracts a main contractor could have tens if not hundreds of subcontractors, all involved in work worth more than £5,000, and it would be impossible to police wage settlements for them all.

Large contractors would find it impossible to sign the new clauses, as this would commit their labour forces and facilities to a contract which could be terminated because of the actions of one minor subcontractor over whom they had no control.

This risk, Mr Frodsham said, was "totally unacceptable to the engineering industry". The terms of the new clause mean that a contract could be terminated when the item was only partly or even fully built but not delivered.

Mr Frodsham added: "We wish to emphasize, as we have said consistently, that we have no desire to oppose the Government's guidelines."

Malcolm Brown writes: The London Chamber of Commerce and Industry said yesterday that employers in London and the South-east were, by and large, not too concerned about the blacklist and sanctions, believing that everything possible has to be done to bring down inflation.

There was some concern, however, at the methods used to compile the blacklist which, it was felt, should be open to scrutiny and the right of appeal.

The Road Haulage Association also issued a statement giving warnings of what it called discrimination between employers and unions.

Progress on Romania contract for BAC jets

By Business News Staff

British Aerospace officials hope that a deal involving production of the successful BAC One-Eleven airliner in Romania will be concluded within the next few months.

Technicians have been negotiating with the Romanian aircraft industry on developing a capacity to manufacture the One-Eleven there, since protocols were signed in Bucharest last May. Although no official figures have been released, it is thought that the transaction could bring about £250m to Britain.

The project involves the One-Eleven 475 aircraft, a high-performance, short-haul model with about 80 seats. An agreement is expected which will specify a total of 80 aircraft, some to be built in Britain and the remainder supplied in kit form for assembly in Romania.

Jigs and other tools will be supplied later to enable the Romanians to start their own production line. Then the 475 will be built on a royalty basis, which will give a continued return for BAC.

Tarom, the Romanian state airline, has flown BAC One-Elevens for several years. However, the agreement will be seen as enabling the company to break into the Eastern European market which, on an exclusively British selling basis, has been difficult to penetrate.

If secured, the deal will have succeeded in the face of strong competition from overseas, particularly America and France which had hoped to sell a new version of the Caravelle.

Lonrho unlikely to face action after DoT report

By Desmond Quigley

Legal action as a result of the Department of Trade report on Lonrho is unlikely, a senior Lonrho director said yesterday.

It is believed that officials of the Director of Public Prosecutions office have indicated to Lonrho that no action will be taken over the report, which made a number of criticisms of Mr Roland Rowland, the company's chief executive, and some fellow directors.

But Mr Silkin, the Attorney General, has yet to announce his decision. At the time Mr Heath described Lonhro as the "unacceptable face of capitalism".

The DoT investigation was ordered by Mr Heath, then Prime Minister, in 1973, after the much-publicized boardroom split which resulted in a High Court action.

Among those criticized in the report, published in 1976, were Mr Rowland, Lord Duncan-Sandys, the current chairman; Mr Angus Ogilvy, a former director, and Mr Alan Ball, deputy chairman.

The report was critical of arrangements relating to Nyaschere, which has a copper mine in Rhodesia, and in which Lonrho, Mr Rowland and family trustees of Mr Ball and Mr Ogilvy, have an interest.

The latest Lonrho annual report states that the best solution appears to be for Lonrho to acquire the whole of the share capital of Nyaschere. Shareholders are to be kept informed and an announcement may be made at Lonrho's annual meeting next month.

ASTMS negotiators told to conceal pay deal terms

By Donald Macintyre

Mr Clive Jenkins, general secretary of the Association of Scientific, Technical and Managerial Staffs, has told negotiators to keep pay deals secret to avoid intervention by the Department of Employment.

A circular warns local officials that no details of claims or settlements should be given to "Government departments, the Price Commission, newspapers, radio or television, or any other trade union or person" without a national or divisional officer being consulted.

Mr Jenkins says that the union is ready to back members with legal action where there is a case for arguing that the Government has acted beyond its legal powers in pressing for the renegotiation of deals through withdrawal of aid or public contracts.

He claims that deals struck by his union have been around the 15 per cent mark on average, and some have brought increases of as much as 29 per cent.

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As in previous meetings—not only with Mr Shore, but also the Prime Minister and the Chancellor—the delegation is likely to seek further tax concessions on overseas earnings and allowances for industrial building and repair and maintenance work to be zero-rated for value-added tax.

Since the group of eight was established last year, it has had several fruitful meetings with ministers. Its success was largely responsible for the demise of the Construction Industry Liaison Group last month.

Buoyant house market: A state of trade inquiry published today by the House-Builders Federation, conducted among 250 house-builders shows a marked rise in demand, improved confidence among buyers and better employment prospects. However, builders still report that uneconomic margins and land shortages hinder supply.

Demand is at its most buoyant since the inquiries began in 1976, and the proportion of companies reporting higher demand than three months ago has leapt from 38 per cent in November to 63 per cent.

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el Grylls, vice-chair- Conservative Indus- tee, has asked Mr or an urgent review vernment's redun- ies.

r to the Prime Mini- rylls says the Ship- Redundancy Bill all subsidiaries of British Shipbuilders, many of which have no connexion whatever with shipbuilding.

He says that while approving of the special scheme for shipbuilding workers who are the victims of industrial change, it is becoming increasingly anomalous that many workers in other industries also subject to industrial change will not receive special payments.

United Brands awaits key court verdict

By Derek Harris
Commercial Editor

It is expected that the European Court will tomorrow give judgment on the appeal by United Brands, the multinational banana suppliers, against a European Commission decision that the company abused its dominant market position.

Much hangs on the judgment because of the implications for other multinational companies operating within the EEC. It could establish a much tighter definition of market dominance, with a much lower threshold on market share of about 45 per cent.

It is the first time the Commission and the court have tried to investigate the complete price structure of an integrated multinational operation affecting all the countries in the Community.

The appeal was against the Commission's fining United Brands one million units of account (about £550,000) for abusing its dominant position in marketing bananas under its Chiquita brand in West Germany, Belgium, Luxembourg and Denmark.

United Brands was also ordered to stop differential pricing in different parts of the EEC and to reduce prices to stop exorbitant profits. United Brands supplies about 40 per cent of the bananas sold in the EEC as a whole and about 45 per cent in some countries.

If the court's judgment goes against the company there is still a procedure under which it could seek clarification of the judgment.

The company might regard this as a means to reiterate its criticisms of the opinions given to the court by M Henri Mayas, who acted as Advocate General in the case.

The advocate follows all the aspects of a case while it is going on, assessing both the facts and legal issues, and the advocate's opinion is both a summing up and a recommendation to the court.

Parties in a case, because of this procedure, do not normally have the opportunity to comment on points raised by the advocate, and United Brands felt M Mayas exceeded an impartial assessment. His opinion introduced new arguments not previously advanced by the Commission, and certain matters of fact needed correction, the company claims.

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scheduled to start n one of the most l pieces of legisla- e before the present Parliament—a Bill construction of a oss Canada to carry from Alaska's North rkets in the Ameri-

l to be the largest te enterprise project Its cost has been at $10,000m though with over- ld eventually cost

would give approval participation in the which both Presi- and Mr Trudeau, n Prime Minister, lly committed. It was at their direction that negotiators for the two countries swiftly concluded a bilateral agreement on the project last August, subject to legislative approval.

Congress has already sanctioned the agreement, but indications are that the Canadian legislation will have a rough ride through Parliament. The New Democratic Party has indicated that it may oppose the Bill unless important changes are made.

The socialist NDP has but 16 seats in the 264-seat House, but it has a way of making its voice heard on questions of national development and resource policies. When the enabling legislation was introduced on, February 3, Mr Ed Broadbent, the party leader, expressed "shock and disappointment at what he called its failure to guarantee Canadian content or jobs for the 2,765 miles of line to be built through Canada's Yukon Territory and the provinces of British Columbia and Alberta.

"I cannot see how I can support this Bill in its present form", Mr Broadbent declared.

The position of the official opposition Progressive Conservative Party is less clear. Conservative spokesmen have described the agreement with the United States as a "sell-out", and expressed concern over the powers to be vested in a proposed northern pipeline agency with Mr Allan MacEachen, Deputy Prime Minister and Privy Council president, at its head.

The agency as provided for in the Bill would oversee Canada's part in the project.

While strongly criticizing parts of the Bill, however, the Conservatives are not expected to block its passage. Since the Liberal Government has an absolute majority the Bill seems assured of eventual passage in any case.

Nevertheless a stormy parliamentary battle seems to be shaping up which could embarrass the Liberals acutely in an election year.

Adding spice to the coming events is the recollection of a pipeline debate in 1956 which was instrumental in bringing down a majority Liberal Government.

In the impending debate the Government is expected to stress the economic benefits of the project, which it estimates will create 100,000 man-years of employment in this country.

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Lending rate 6½ pc

The Bank of England's minimum lending rate is unchanged at 6½ per cent. The following are the results of Friday's Treasury Bill Tender:

Applications	£503m	Allotted	£300m
Bids at	£98.50p	Received	13%
Prev week	£98.51p	Received	55%
Average rate	5.9549%	Prev week	6.9275%
Next Friday	£300m	Replace	£350m



Pilkington was a partnership until 1894, then a private firm; and in 1970 went public



The St Helens headquarters of Pilkington Brothers

Reflecting on 150 years at St Helens

Clogs to clogs in three generations. It used to be a salutary North Country definition of the natural redistribution of wealth by inheritance. The first generation makes the money by industry; the second enjoys it; and the third generation dissipates it. The histories of many family businesses reflect the truth of it.

But the Pilkingtons are still there, making glass in St Helens as they have done since 1826. A family business for more than 150 years, Pilkington was a partnership until 1894, a private company thereafter, and went public only in 1970.

"The family" have been dominant, from Richard and William Pilkington in the reign of George IV to Lord Pilkington and Sir Alastair Pilkington in this generation.

Any such achievement must have a remarkable history. Partly because of the family's closeness over the years and its strong adherence to its roots, the documents have survived and now T. C. Barker has mined them to produce a monumental company history*. It is a boardroom view, but that is what Professor Barker has set out to write.

The Pilkingtons were not always correct in their commercial and manufacturing decisions. But this book demonstrates that, operating out of a small red-brick town, the family never lost contact with their roots or their workforce (and significantly did not open a London office until 1950).

From the first they were outward-looking, examining markets and potential competition worldwide. They knew their product and were always looking out for new technologies and new methods. They were ready to invest in research and experiment and were never complacent.

Peter Greenall, a St Helens brewer, joined with his brother-in-law Richard Pilkington in 1826 to start a factory for glass-making. Soon afterwards another brother, William, joined them.

The Pilkingtons (doctor's sons) gave up their wine and spirit business when glass-making proved successful. St Helens was a good centre: they were at the right place at the right time. supplies of sand and coal were readily available. Canals and later the railways provided transport.

William Pilkington was the salesman, touring the country establishing new outlets, constantly writing back to St Helens to urge quality control. This detailed attention to the product was inherited by the next generation of the family, particularly Richard's son, William Windle Pilkington.

It is typical that within months of the Siemens patenting a new system of gas-firing tanks for plate glass in the early 1870s, Windle Pilkington was in Dresden watching the new process in operation. Five years later Pilkington had built 12 tanks using it. When some years later a draughtsman looked for the plans,

> *"the foreman bricklayer informed him that he merely cleared the ground on which the tank was to be built. Windle Pilkington would then come round and trace the outlines with the side of his foot. Informal meetings took place between them afterwards as the work progressed. As the foreman bricklayer put it, 'Mr Windle can do owt'."*

He and his brother Richard both became mayors of St Helens and later aldermen and freemen. Windle was "a pillar of the local Congregational church, as his father had been before him. He was well known for his benevolence. As a young man he helped found a Ragged School in the town and was later an enthusiastic supporter of the YMCA, the St Helens Hospital and the St Helens District Nursing Association".

The Pilkingtons evidently never cherished any ambition to rival Lord Derby, the "King of Lancashire" down the road at Knowsley, as landowners. They lived in modest detached houses around St Helens, comfortably, but not ostentatiously.

When two sociologists studied the company at the time of the much-publicized strike in 1970, they could not blame the family for indulgence in port and overripe pheasant: their criticism was (is it a criticism?) that "Pilkingtons have attempted to exact from their employees the same devotion to duty that they have set for themselves." (*Strike at Pilkingtons*, by Tony Lane and Kenneth Roberts, Collins/Fontana 1971; no longer in print).

> **"He was known to the glassmakers and respected by them because he knew more about the practical side of glassmaking than any of them did"**

When the private company was formed in 1894 it had a nominal capital of £1.4m. By reinvestment this grew to more than £2.5m by 1905 and to £4.2m by 1914. (By 1945 the capital employed was £7.5m and in 1976 more than £400m.)

By the turn of the century perhaps a third of the population of St Helens depended on Pilkington employment. It was a patriarchal arrangement, benevolent in Victorian terms—Pilkington was early with fringe benefits such as recreation facilities, education and help in hardship.

When the first stirrings of unionization started in earnest in 1906, "Mr Windle" spoke to a mass meeting of the men, who thereupon agreed to the company's terms.

> *"He was known to the glassmakers and respected by them because he knew more about the practical side of glassmaking than any of them did. He knew the problems on the factory floor, and the men understood that he knew."*

Throughout, the partners and directors ploughed back an unusual proportion of the profits. They certainly exacted dedication from each other. There was a "Directors' book" in which they had to record absences from the office, with good reasons.

In the 1930s, family trainees who did not satisfactorily complete the rigorous training period were quietly unloaded. Bright outsiders were regularly recruited, particularly canny Scots engineers (James Meikle, William Tunnock, J. B. Watt).

In more recent years the story of the introduction of float glass, that vastly profitable invention, has been told many times. But Professor Barker adds some interesting facts (and has unveiled rather more in his essay on the glass industry in *Essays in British Business History*, Clarendon Press, 1977; £7.50). It is true that (Sir) Alastair Pilkington had the idea for the process while helping his wife wash the dishes.

The provisional patent was taken out in 1953, in the joint names (a typical Pilkington touch) of Alastair Pilkington and Kenneth Bickerstaff, then a young engineer who had worked on the use of tin as a conveyor for the reheated glass. The development process took years and involved immense losses. Pilot plants were started in 1952; but the process did not become uninterruptedly profitable until after 1962-63.

At that time Pilkington was still a family company. Further development took place during years of economic prosperity and good trading profits. Lord Pilkington and his fellow directors shouldered the risk and a very substantial risk it was—the loss on the float process was over £900,000 in 1958-59 alone.

> *"Would Pilkington so readily have taken the decision to build the float production plant in 1955 if it had been a public company and responsible to outside shareholders? Some of the directors who took that decision doubt this."*

Professor Barker gives the view from the bridge. The personalities up there are fully interesting enough to merit 557 pages. A somewhat different view might emerge from the back streets of St Helens (as one for whom *Cullet*, the Pilkington magazine, was boyhood reading I recognize the truth in such books as Joseph Stamper's *So Long Ago*). If there is a weakness in this massive book, it is that almost nothing is given about the lives and working conditions of the men who made the glass, other than an occasional reference to wage rates and union activity.

The book's detail stops at 1939, for reasons that any company historian recognizes: personal and commercial constraints are too strong. But it is a tribute to Professor Barker's industry that a book on this vast scale should leave the reader wanting to know more.

**The Glassmakers: Pilkington, the rise of an international company* 1826-1976, by T. C. Barker (Weidenfeld and Nicolson, £10.)

David Wainwright

The abstract world of the university . . .

A slashing attack on the universities for their role in creating a society which failed to attach adequate importance to making things and to engineering and other practical disciplines was delivered last week by Dr Peter Herriot, Professor of Psychology at the City University, London.

The education system, he noted, valued the abstract because it was abstract. Practical work was considered a useful means of exemplifying abstract principles: it was seldom engaged in for the product which resulted. He cited some work by researchers at the City University which had found that sixth formers thought that mechanical engineering required less intelligence than vets, solicitors, pharmacists, dentists, doctors, computer scientists, architects and accountants.

Professor Herriot, who was delivering his inaugural lecture under the title "Engineering and the great debate: doing and making, or just making do?" commented that schools and universities both reflected such devaluation and reinforced it.

"I believe the major blame rests upon the universities, who have had a profound effect upon school curricula . . . I believe that one of the major causes of our present difficulties occurred almost accidentally in 1917.

"That was when the universities were given responsibility for the school-leaving examinations. Inevitably these came to double as university entrance examinations. As a result the curriculum in schools became geared to the passing of university entrance requirements.

"Since universities produced and imparted theoretical knowledge, they required capacity for such activities to be demonstrated by their students", Professor Herriot said. Examinations determined the curriculum, not the curriculum examinations.

He was not blaming the schools for the present state of affairs. Far too much had been expected of them. "Instead of telling them to give pupils the skills they will need during their working life, we have made them into social workers and job selection experts."

He wanted the whole apparatus of academic subjects including the distinction between arts and sciences, to be dismantled. They were based on content rather than skills, and bore little relation to the world of work in which the majority of people made things or helped to make them available for the benefit of others.

Education should be based on skills rather than on knowledge. School children "ought to acquire the basic skills of spoken and written expression; of performing operations with numbers; of searching out and evaluating information; of applying simple heuristics—for example, first define the problem; of performing operations with numbers; of working together and working alone; of working with different materials.

Nudging the corporate conscience

For many industrial companies the 1970s have so far been years in which growth has at best been severely limited, yet there is one aspect of commercial life in which growth continues unabated—that of the obligations and responsibilities placed on companies.

The days when companies could indulge in a relatively unfettered pursuit of profit have long since passed firmly into the realms of history.

Yet despite all the rules and regulations, society is today probably as far away as ever from a set of agreed and durable values which place defined and recognized obligations on companies. Business is required to be socially responsible, but responsible to a society which has been changing its values at an apparently ever increasing speed.

In the past two decades increased demands have been placed on companies in the fields of sexual and racial equality, financial propriety, and wages, price and dividend control, not to mention environmental and health considerations.

Such developments have by no means ended. Industrial democracy and product liability, to cite only two examples, remain as unresolved issues.

A person would have to be an unreconstructed economic fundamentalist to argue that these developments were in principle retrograde. But company chairmen may at times be forgiven for wondering whatever happened to the search for profit as the mainspring of company activity, and it is entirely understandable that many of the more enlightened company chiefs believe that one of the absolutely essential requirements of management is to develop a greater sensitivity to the developing demands of society.

Because there has been a lack of such sensitivity in the past, industry, unfortified by either relevant policy or philosophy, has too often found itself fighting rearguard actions against change.

Over the years a fair-sized literature has developed on the question of how business should cope with change, and what are the social responsibilities of industry. The latest attempt to produce a coherent philosophy on these matters comes in the form of a book entitled *Corporate Social Responsibility; a reassessment** written by two members of the staff of the London Business School.

They argue for a move away from the present methods which depend primarily on constraint being slapped on companies by legislation and government-sponsored agencies; towards methods which rely much more on self-regulation by business.

This would require business to make itself more open to changing external demands, but the authors believe that from society's point of view the involvement of companies in the identification of matters of social concern could lead to a saving of resources.

> A policy of voluntary social responsibility is not to be seen as an act of philanthropic generosity

"Alternatives to self-control must involve external monitoring of companies' technological, social and organization innovations, which, even if practical, would be very costly. Furthermore, reliance on external regulation would be less sensitive and informed and more prone to anomoly."

If industry were to develop such an approach it would require a deliberate policy of increasing exposure of executives to a wide range of social needs; a form of sensitivity training.

The authors see two broad strategies available to socially responsible companies; one in which the manifestations of social consciousness come in the form of actions from the top of the company, and the other in which the sense of social responsibility is pushed down right through the management structure to become a factor in all its activities.

They recognize that the second of these strategies would greatly complicate the life of subordinate managers, if for no other reason than that instead of pursuing clearly defined financial targets, they would also be required to conform with less easily measured social objectives.

In any case government would have to change its approach to encourage socially responsible behaviour by positive means, rather than simply penalizing behaviour which failed to conform to specific standards.

The authors argue that a policy of voluntary social responsibility is not to be seen as an act of philanthropic generosity, it is a matter of social regulation rather than individual ethics.

Indeed at the end of the book they broaden their argument to put the view that if a society is deficient in widely accepted values, and if the government lacks the power to ensure stability, then such a society can be made a happier place to live, not by agreeing how the conflicts are to be resolved, but by continuous striving to overcome the worst effects and by devising institutions which enable this to be done effectively.

A system of sensitive, voluntary social responsibility if encouraged by government, and if leading to coalitions of interest groups, might then provide the means for maintaining the stability of such a society.

Depending on the reader's standpoint the argument of this book might elicit a variety of cynical responses. But its central thesis constitutes an analysis of one aspect of a board underlying truth; that in the absence of strong traditional authority and discipline, the stability of a complex modern society is likely to depend on the quality of sensitivity and understanding which different parts of such a society have for each other.

**Corporate social responsibility: a reassessment* by Michael Beesley and Tom Evans published by Croom Helm (£8.50).

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THE COMMERCIAL BANKING COMPANY OF SYDNEY LIMITED

Half Yearly Report and Announcement of Interim Dividend

C.B.C. Group announces Consolidated profit (unaudited) for the six months amounts to $1,227,000 compared with a loss of $3,941,000 in the corresponding period of the previous year.

The Board is pleased to advise this as a substantial improvement in operating results for the December 1977 half-year and considers the improvement will continue for the final half-year provided there are no major changes in official policies which could adversely affect conditions relating to the Banking Industry.

A significant advance was achieved in the Banking Group Operating Profit which increased by 55 per cent to $5,524,000 despite continuance of the control on interest rates on the greater portion of lending and the strong competition for deposits which kept rates at high levels. The improved results can be attributed to actions taken to increase income from services, restrict growth in costs and improve measures of performance and control.

The improvement was achieved despite the Bank subscribing $21,200,000 in capital to Commercial and General Acceptance Limited (CAGA) in the past 12 months, from which it received no financial return.

As foreshadowed by the Chairman in his address to the Bank's Annual General Meeting in October 1977, further provisions of $11,600,000 for possible loan losses were made during that month in the books of the CAGA Group, but the net loss of $5,351,000 for the half-year to December 1977 is substantially lower than the loss of $10,640,000 sustained by CAGA in the previous corresponding period. After excluding minority interests and extraordinary items the share of CAGA's loss borne by the C.B.C. Group was $4,156,000 compared with a loss of $7,505,000 in the December 1976 half-year.

Excluding the special provisions for possible loan losses the trading operations of CAGA Group have been profitable. This is after allowing for the non-receipt of income from non-accrual loans. The selling of Real Estate has continued at a level consistent with the budget and the exposure to Real Estate is now well below its peak. A further significant reduction is expected during the half-year to 30th June.

C.B.C. ownership of CAGA at 31st December 1977 was 81.486 per cent compared with 70.539 per cent at 31st December 1976. It has been agreed that C.B.C. ownership will be reduced to 77.91 per cent following the approval of Australian and United States Authorities for the Bank of America, New York, to take up its proportional share of the $11,600,000 additional capital in CAGA subscribed by C.B.C. on 27th October 1977.

It is expected that CAGA will trade profitably in the June half-year and as a consequence its loss for the full year will be below the figure reported for the December half-year.

The Directors have declared an interim ordinary dividend of 6.5 cents per share (unaltered from last year) in respect of the half-year ended 31st December 1977 on the issued capital of the Bank. The dividend is payable on the 10th March 1978. Completed transfers received by the Company up to 3 p.m. on the 20th February 1978 will be registered before entitlements to the dividend are determined at the end of the reporting period.

Dividend warrants will be posted to Shareholders as soon as possible after 10th March 1978.

By order of the Chief Board
J. E. Searle,
Chief Manager, London

3rd February 1978

An assured place for coal in energy plan

From the Chairman of the National Coal Board

Sir, Mr Gerald Manners suggests (February 8) that the market performance of British coal since 1973 provides no basis for optimism about the the case.

Coal has held its market share despite a unique combination of falling total energy demand and rapidly increasing output of gas and nuclear electricity. Between 1973 and 1977, total annual United Kingdom energy demand fell by 16 million tons of coal equivalent (mtce), while nuclear and North Sea gas availability increased by 22 mtce. Coal's share of the remaining market increased from 45 to 48 per cent.

The key factor in this market success has been the improvement in coal's competitive position brought about by the dramatic increases in oil prices since 1973.

Looking to the future, we accept some of the uncertainties to which Mr Manners refers. However there is one glaring omission from his list of factors: the course of oil prices. In common with the Department of Energy and all other serious commentators, we regard as overwhelmingly probable a further major increase in international oil prices by the end of the century.

When this rise will start is uncertain. But the balance of probability is that it will start within the next 10 years.

Coal is already the preferred non-nuclear fuel in the power station sector. During the 1980s we expect major new opportunities for coal to develop in the industrial market and towards the turn of the century there could be further new demands for coal for gasification and liquefaction.

The basis for long-term expansion of the British coal industry is set out in considerable detail by the Department of Energy in the paper to which I referred in my earlier letter. That paper makes none of the heavily-biased assumptions in favour of coal which Mr Manners suggests are necessary.

Mr Manners questions the timing of the NCB investment programme. He appears to overlook the fact that ours is a long lead time industry—probably the longest of all. The new capacity we are currently bringing forward will not become fully productive until towards 1990, and speculation on the market position in the mid 1980s is therefore largely irrelevant in this context.

It will be high productivity capacity with very attractive economics. A good part of the new capacity will be needed to offset exhaustion of older mines.

The real problem facing this industry in the 1990s could well be to bring on new capacity fast enough to meet the rapidly growing demand for coal.

It is to this problem that we are addressing our present investment programme for new capacity.

Yours faithfully,
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National Coal Board,
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February 9.

Taxing divers under Schedule D

From Mr Alan P. Hughes

Sir, I have just read your report (February 4), indicating that the Revenue will allow divers to be taxed under Schedule D. You report Mr Robert Sheldon, Financial Secretary to the Treasury, as saying: "After a careful examination of their particular circumstances, I recognize that there are certain distinctive features about their work, such as the danger it entails, their vulnerability to long-term health hazards, the exceptional travelling difficulties and the shortness of their working life."

Sir, I have been engaged in the taxation field for nigh on 50 years and in that time, as you will imagine, I have had quite a few cases where it was necessary to decide whether a man was assessable under Schedule E or Schedule D. Up to Saturday last I had never once thought of the idea that among the criteria to be adopted one could have regard to the danger of the work or the health hazards involved.

Either I am falling behind in my professional education or the Inland Revenue are bringing in new rules. If the latter, ought not the Revenue to incorporate them a little more clearly in the Taxes Act of 1970?

Faithfully,
ALAN P. HUGHES,
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February 6.

From Mr. J. L. Oxlade

Sir, You report (February 3) the Commissioners of the Inland Revenue as saying yesterday that PAYE collects nearly 99 per cent of tax due within six months of the end of the tax year—"and, what is more, gets it right for five out of six taxpayers".

Surely, that extraordinary addendum must be of considerable interest to "the other sixth" and might be thought to deserve more general prominence than that accorded by your mention in Business News today?

Yours faithfully,
J. L. OXLADE,
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Purley, Surrey.

Exploding a plutonium myth

From Mr Ian Smart

Sir, I have considerable sympathy with the general thrust of the article by Messrs Elstub, Atwell, Pringle, Coates, Dummett and Thompson (February 6) on nuclear power. in making their argument, they are guilty, however, of one familiar but regrettable error.

The myth that "reactor-grade pluronium . . . could not produce an effective atomic bomb" is one which, despite frequent repetition, has been well and truly—indeed literally—exploded. Although the Acheson-Lilienthal report asserted in 1946 that plutonium containing a significant amount of the plutonium 240 isotope could not be used in a nuclear explosive, the assertion was founded in ignorance.

The predictability of explosive yield diminishes as the proportion of isotopes other than the fissile plutonium 239 increases. The fact remains that an effective and highly destructive atomic bomb *can* be made from reactor-grade plutonium and, if made, will have a minimum explosive effect equivalent to some thousands of tons of TNT. Even plutonium containing 20 to 30 per cent of the plutonium 240 or 242 isotopes can be used for that purpose. This, moreover, is not mere theory; the United States has successfully tested at least one explosive device made from reactor-grade plutonium.

Nor, incidentally, is it true that reactor fuel of the mix (plutonium/uranium) oxi type "would not be a suitab material as a starting point f bomb manufacture". It wou certainly not be ideal, but would probably be easier, ar a good deal cheaper, to sep rate usable plutonium fro such fuel than to extract from irradiated fuel taken o of a reactor.

Nationally and inter tionally, the problem posed plutonium is inherently so uble. Its solution will not, ho ever, be assisted by the perp tuation of myths.

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Relocation of government departments

From Mr Owen John Thomas

Sir, The Government is to commended for their econo ical approach to the questi of the future provision of s port facilities in the Unit Kingdom. Hopefully they w now extend this very sensi policy.

It has recently been sta in Parliament that exist government offices in Lond are fully adequate for t needs of the Ministry Defence and the Export C dits Guarantee Departme Yet, plans to disperse th sands of civil servants fr these departments to offic as yet unbuilt in Cardiff a Glasgow are continuing apa These schemes are being pu sued in spite of the fact th the total cost will be well excess of £125m, and to wh purpose?

A majority of those work in both departments will transferred together with th offices so that job opportu ties in the receiving areas w be limited. After allowing f the fact that the dependants the transferring staff will seeking work, there will pr ably be a net increase in employment in both Card and Glasgow. In particul Cardiff faced with the closu of its steelworks, could w see the money being spe dered on this scheme put better use through the pro sion of new industrial jobs.

The proposed transfers Cardiff are opposed by t MOD itself, by eight out nine of the civil service unio and many Cardiff organizatio who fear the effects of t proposed moves.

A reappraisal of these wast ful plans is urgently require Yours faithfully,
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State debt

From Mr D. M. Ramsay

Sir, In allowing the prese high rate of savings to finan its deficit the Government playing with fire.

When the institutions p savers' money into gilts th are not investing it, they a spending it—on steel losses, e ployment subsidies, Polish, shi and British Leyland wages.

If "non-discretionary savin for pensions and life assuran starts looking like a voluntar tax, the present high rate saving will surely return more usual levels; and t danger of savers' confiden falling further to a panic lev is probably remote but certain real.

Yours faithfully,
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Regional column

Vacant offices in bustling Norwich

Construction work is due to start on February 15 on the first industrial units of a community estate which will substantially change the face of Norwich over the next decade. The units form part of an 80-acre employment area contained within the overall development of approximately 600 acres at Bowthorpe, adjoining the A47 trunk road on the city's western outskirts.

One hundred and fifty families have already moved into Clover Hill, the first of three villages comprised in the Bowthorpe scheme. It envisages a total population of 13,500 by 1988, a "social mix" being encouraged by the provision of private, rented and housing association accommodation.

The Labour-controlled city council aims to balance the growth of housing and industry there. But while confident that enough firms will be attracted to provide about 4,000 jobs, the authority admits that problems have arisen because planning consent is restricted to light industry.

Although a number of inquiries have been received in relation to the employment area where developers are being encouraged to erect and sublet, "industry is not queuing up", the Department of Employment says. One fear is that the vacuum may be filled by a movement of small concerns from the city centre, where uptake problems of a different kind exist already.

Here the dilemma involves speculatively-built office blocks which remain empty—partly because they are not large enough to attract new companies. Most of them have required at least 100,000 sq ft of floor space. This is not, however, indicative of a general trend. If anything the overall demand for office space has risen in recent years, concomitant with the growth of Norwich as a regional and administrative capital.

After the city and county authorities, which collectively employ about 10,000 people, the major employers are Laurence, Scott Electromotors and the Norwich Union, each with a workforce of over 3,000.

The presence of Norwich Union, the largest commercial concern in East Anglia, has attracted a new brood of insurance brokers. Other recent arrivals include the Government printing centre and the Stationery Office, providing work for almost 2,000. Most of the clearing banks maintain regional headquarters here.

As a retail centre with five major multiples represented, Norwich draws customers from a 50-mile catchment area, as well as Scandinavian visitors on day shopping excursions, and is a focal point of tourism.

The impact of the growth in services on what the regional economic planning council calls East Anglia's "stable, high-quality labour force" has meant different rather than fewer jobs in Norwich where unemployment currently runs at slightly below the national average figure, a reversal of the position in the late 1960s.

The employment situation also reflects the relative lack of cyclical influences on the local industrial scene. With the exception perhaps of firms such as Bally or Lotus Cars, there are probably few so vulnerable to fashion swings or political factors. Many have been long-established and these include Jarrolds, Boulton & Paul and Colmans, which celebrates its 155th anniversary on February 15. The 10-week stoppage at Laurence Scott last May was untypical; statistically, the area is one of the most strike-free in Britain.

Nevertheless, manufacturing has been affected by external circumstances. One result of the national recession has been the loss of up to 2,000 part-time jobs, many of them held by married women working "twilight" shifts in local electronics firms.

In a wider context, Norwich lies at the heart of England's least-populated, fastest-growing region. Population projections look to a 25 per cent growth for East Anglia up to 1991, mainly through inward migration.

Noting the prevalent low level of earnings, the regional planning council recently declared that there was "a continuing need to encourage the growth of well-paid, modern industry, perhaps exemplified by smaller science-based and electronic firms, in contrast to the region's agricultural-based industries".

The major advantages the area offers in terms of easy access, labour availability and practical operating costs have already been recognized by companies that have invested there. Should pressures mount, there could well be some relocation of the constraints on manufacturing industry in the foreseeable future.

Locally, there is confidence in a major economic upturn within the next three years or so. At least when that time comes a good reserve of office stock will be available.

Nicholas Cole

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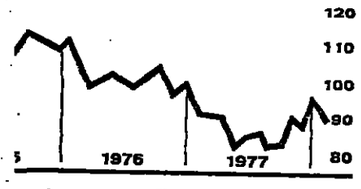
BY THE FINANCIAL EDITOR

Banks prepare for better times

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showing itself and around half the major property groups can now pay dividends from income.

The Companies Bill threat may very well be diverted completely by the industry's persuasive lobby which has already pushed the potentially thorny depreciation problem aside for the forseeable future.

Should the lobby fail and revenue fail to meet dividend requirements, companies could find a way around the problem by deducting development interest only in subsidiary profit and loss accounts and treating the interest as a capitalization at the group level.

So, in the short-term, problems presented by the Bill as it stands appear to be surmountable. But, looking farther ahead, it is doubtful whether the revenue or the accountancy profession will be prepared to allow such creative presentation indefinitely.

At the moment, the question of whether development interest can be available both for relief and as a credit to the cost of a building is unresolved. Clarification may not result from this particular clause but the standardization of property company accounting may be coming much faster than the industry thinks.

Capital gains

The pre-Budget debate

A major reform of capital gains tax in the forthcoming Budget remains very possible despite the apparent intransigence of the Inland Revenue. Capital gains remain an intensely political issue and it is within the political arena that the future of the tax will be decided. The Stock Exchange, predictably, last week, called for the abolition of capital gains tax altogether. Attractive though the idea may be it is difficult to see how a Labour Government even when modified by a Liberal presence, would be able to put such a thing past its backbenchers.

Reform, though, may be forced on the Government whether it likes it or not. An amendment at the Budget last year proposed by Mr John Pardoe for the Liberals and supported by the Conservatives was withdrawn on the basis that there would be a feasibility study carried out on the prospects of adjusting the tax to take account of inflation.

That study came up with three suggestions: indexation, tapering, and the lifting of the annual limit of disposals on which gains would be taxable.

The last is cheap and easy and favoured by the Revenue, but is not particularly equitable. The other two are expensive for a tax with a low return to the Exchequer, and only indexation, the more complex of these



Mr John Pardoe, Liberal economic spokesman: pushing for capital gains tax reform.

options, is designed to cure the effects of the primary enemy of inflation.

Expense, however, does not deter the Liberals. For them a suggestion that gains of up to £1,000 a year should not be taxed, which might take half the current payers out of the net, would not be good enough. There would be a level that in virtually destroying the tax, would meet with their approval, but that is not it. Tapering or indexation, then must be included within the Bill or another amendment will be tabled which would stand a good chance of gaining Conservative support.

So far neither the Treasury nor the Chancellor has given any hostages to fortune over including tapering or indexation in the April measures, but pressure is being brought to bear and a defeat in the House on such a subject could prove very embarrassing indeed.

But in politics, all things are possible. A precedent for tapering has been made with the accepted Liberal proposals for profit sharing, but the raising of the limit may still be a front runner.

Incomes policy: a counter-inflationary mirage

Patrick Minford, Professor of Applied Economics, University of Liverpool, argues the case against incomes policy. Later this week we will publish an article by Lord Roberthall, former Economic Adviser to the Government, in support of incomes policy

The question proponents of incomes policy have to answer is: what objective elements in the inflationary environment are changed by it? In their answer they are not allowed to assume that the economy becomes a command economy or that the statutory regulation of incomes can continue for more than a limited period.

Now it is clear enough that if it were acceptable in a democracy, enjoying a mixed economy, for one part of that economy—namely all labour markets—to have their money contracts set by the state for a very long period, then government would *de facto* control wages and from this would follow a measure of control over the general price index.

To the extent that the Government imposed wages that did not clear the labour markets, it would have to provide other inducements to firms and people to adjust supply and demand—perhaps sanctions, perhaps "training programmes"—or the economy would have to suffer the resulting inefficiencies.

Such problems are most easily solved within a command economy, where the state has disposal of the ultimate inducements and, provided the computer is big enough, with enough operators and planners, the inefficiencies can be pinpointed and dealt with after a fashion.

Even so, such an economy cannot avoid suppressed inflation in conditions of excess aggregate demand, as many a war-time economy has illustrated; inflation simply shifts into black markets, payments in kind and so on.

Yet I take it that incomes policy proponents are not in favour of such long-term statutory regulation, or even if they are that they are realistic enough to realize that it would not be acceptable to the people of this country. They may hope that disgust with the supposed results of free collective bargaining will change this; that is their privilege but there is no sign of any such change.

Experience has shown that statutory regulation is acceptable for a time—usually around a year and that it is followed by periods of increasing flexibility with little or no statutory content, until in the end—usually by two to three years—the incomes policy is a dead letter. At this point, unions and firms attempt to finalize the restoration of a real wage acceptable in the market place or bargaining process.

There is every reason to believe that episodes like these will have no effect, other than temporary, on the rate of inflation. It is usually suggested that incomes policy operates by lowering expectations of inflation. It first lowers actual wage increases; this in turn reduces actual inflation, which lowers inflation expectations and thus perpetuates the lower inflation rate.

We may grant that the initial, tightly enforced period of incomes policy will lower wage increases. Unfortunately, this will not lower inflation expectations.

Firms and employees may reasonable expect this close period to be followed by periods of catching up—in other words, money wage increase will be switched from one period to the next. In this case either firms will set their prices on the basis of the underlying growth in costs, so inflation will not be altered at all, or there will be a temporary fall in inflation followed by an equally temporary increase in it.

This is also true if the incomes policy is anticipated; in this case firms and unions arrange their wage settlements before it, instead of later. We may add that empirical investigations for the United Kingdom have, as we would expect, failed to this point to turn up evidence of a permanent effect on inflation from the incomes policies we have had; this in spite of considerable econometric sophistication (see for example, *Incomes policy and inflation*).*

We can be more precise about the formation of expectations. It is not just that incomes policy cannot permanently influence the price environment. There are money magnitudes that the government can and must ultimately control which do permanently determine it.

Friedman's original observation that "permissive" monetary policy implies no limit or determinacy to the long-run rate of inflation, can be strengthened today to read: with such a policy there is no longer even a limit on the short-run rate of inflation.

With a floating exchange rate, an expected acceleration in the supply of money is rapidly translated by the financial markets into an expected acceleration in prices; the exchange rate drops, interest rates rise, and prices accelerate with little or no lag.

Some economists, familiar with the fixed exchange rate regime where foreign competitors' prices constituted a strong barrier to domestic inflation, find it hard to appreciate just what a massive difference there is in an economy which has declared monetary independence by floating.

Yet the experience of 1976, when a failure to control the monetary aggregates, together with an unwillingness to be committed to firm targets either for monetary growth or for the public sector borrowing requirement (PSBR), precipitated a sharp price acceleration and sterling depreciation—should have convinced many of them.

But, some still say, if the economy is far from being in a full employment state, surely monetary expansion will only stimulate real output growth and not inflation? Unfortunately this is not so.

An economy in recession, because of past errors or shocks, cannot be pulled out by monetary—or any other—policy. It will come out by the normal processes of its own adjustment (as "confidence rebuilds", as it is sometimes put), but attempts to stimulate those processes will fail because their effect depends on fooling people into believing that things are better than they are and so into spending more.

For example, a monetary expansion involves fooling people that they are more wealthy than they are; the failure of such an illusion—or to put it another way, if you cannot convince financial markets people *will* spend more—means that the extra money is expected to be absorbed by rising prices. Thus it is that monetary expansion determines expected inflation.

We may also note that the expected size of the long-run PSBR determines the long-run expected rate of monetary expansion, because with balanced growth in private sector portfolios the size of the PSBR determines the long-run growth of both the non-monetary and the monetary components of the public debt.

So we come round again to incomes policy. Let us be clear that incomes policy has nothing at all to do with either the PSBR or the money supply. Some would say it makes it easier to get the growth of the money supply down if we have an incomes policy. This assumes that money supply can *follow* inflation down because the policy lowers wage increase permanently; yet as we have seen this is not its result.

A money supply policy that follows inflation is in any case one that taken literally cannot truly be believed to exist without danger of accelerating prices, even hyper-inflation.

Either monetary policy is set to reduce inflation or not; if it is, then wages and prices will follow it. If it is not, then an incomes policy will simply put off briefly the moment at which inflation rises again.

Even if finally the moment of the incomes policy's initial "effectiveness" is chosen to launch a "tough" monetary policy this in no way constitutes an easy source since it will be the *next* period where money bites if money supply is kept on course in spite of the wages backlash.

The impatient reader will by now be protesting: but what of union power? Will not the big battalions break through any monetary limits to attain their claim by sheer strike power? Do we not need an incomes policy to mobilize the political consensus against such action?

These hoary questions can be quickly dealt with. Union monopoly power has been with us for decades; it is simply the power to influence *real* wages and the consequent employment prospects in the unionized industry.

The union's strategy for its members' real wage path can only be converted into a nominal wage strategy by allowing for inflation expectations. True, these expectations depend on whether the money targets are adhered to and it is conceivable the unions might not believe they will be adhered to; if so they will, sensibly enough, take precautionary action to protect their members.

But the idea that unions, collectively or individually, could have an interest in overthrowing such targets relies on the thesis that they will benefit from inflation as such, either because this increases their taking the last five years together, including a recession whose length owes much to the slowness with which counter-inflationary measures were taken in this country.

Should there be *any* role for incomes policy, or anything like it? Should we have belt (incomes policy) and braces indefensible, unless unions and their members are myopic to an incredible extent; inflation has quite clearly damaged virtually all groups in our society given employment level or because it causes some income redistribution in other ways.

Such a thesis must surely be potential real wages at any (monetary policy)?

The answer is uncompromisingly, no. Incomes policy does potentially serious damage by enforcing norms on those groups or markets where the authorities happen by change to have strong influence—not necessarily in the public sector, but on private contractors and the like.

The result may well be a patchwork of distortions even though there is no aggregate effect. One Sun Alliance doth not an incomes policy make; yet it may damage Sun Alliance for a significant period.

Consider too the irony of skilled labour shortages at this level of unemployment; they are now serious in certain sectors and areas of the country. It is always easy to find English economists who pooh-pooh the market mechanism; and yet it is astonishing how many of one's gifted colleagues have gone to the IMF and the World Bank, where they simply happen to be paid at going international rates!

What about the "education of public opinion"? What about the public sector?

I would be the last to complain if ministers—as to their credit they have—stump the country explaining the nature of their monetary policies and the implications for wage increases. Such information can only be beneficial and reduce the chances of any one (union or firm) thinking that these policies are just bluff.

But this we can hardly call incomes policy. And in any case we should beware of patronizing the citizens of the world's oldest democracy.

As for public sector bargaining the government here represents the national interest. It has to plan its budget in cash terms in the short-run to ensure the PSBR outcome—hence cash limits—and in the long-run balancing off competing social priorities at alternative relative prices of their inputs.

The union will therefore face a trade-off between higher wages and employment, one that is rather steep in the short-run because cash is limited and less steep in the long-run as substitution possibilities between programmes and with tax rates enter the picture.

The relevant information for the bargain-competing real wages in the private sector and the elements of the "social demand curve"—for the public good in question—can readily be collected by government and unions, and has been for years in various union-Civil Service councils. It is simply no case for incomes policy.

Why is it then that governments over the ages have been irresistibly attracted to incomes and prices policies of all sorts—as documented by Samuel Brittan and Peter Lilley in their recent book *The delusion of incomes policy*** ?

The answer must be that it is the search for scapegoats to distract attention from their own responsibility through their financial policies. In so far as the operation succeeds the government can have their cake and eat it; have expansionism, and avoid blame for the resulting inflation.

The present Government has, if belatedly, nevertheless creditably, embarked on a monetary stabilization programme which is now beginning to show results in lower inflation. Its policies have, however, been marred by inflexible interventions in the wage-price setting process, to the point where we now have a battery of instruments, including "black lists", a Price Commission whose activities are largely unrevealed and must arouse the greatest suspicion and industrial assistance to those favoured on grounds of administrative choosing.

Now should appear a good time, with inflation falling, for ministers to abandon these arbitrary activities, and trust without nervousness to their stabilization measures to carry on the work of containing inflation and underpinning economic recovery.

**Incomes policy and inflation*, edited by Michael Parkin and Michael Sumner, published by Manchester University Press.

*** The delusion of incomes policy*, by Samuel Brittan and Peter Lilley, published by Maurice Temple Smith (paperback £3, hardback £6.50).

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THE UNITED STATES AND GENERAL TRUST CORPORATION, LIMITED

The Eighty Eighth Annual General Meeting of the United States and General Trust Corporation, Limited will be held on March 8th in London.

The following is comment by the Chairman Mr. W. R. Merton, included in the Report of the Directors which has been circulated to Shareholders:—

This is the first occasion on which I am reporting to you as Chairman, Michael Berry having retired from the Board at the last Annual General Meeting, and I would like to take this opportunity of publicly expressing our debt to him for having guided the Trust so ably over a long and at times difficult period. I am very glad to welcome to the Board in his place Leslie Jones who has been manager of the company since 1961.

You will see from the Accounts that gross revenue for 1977 amounted to £1,009,250 against £951,865 the previous year. Earnings per share for 1977 were 6.845p (after including £11,614 over-provision of tax for past years) compared with 6.03p a year ago. In view of the repayment of £549,737 5 per cent. Debenture Stock on 31st December, 1976 and also £782,938 3¼ per cent. Stock on 1st July, 1977, the increase in earnings is quite creditable. Now that these repayments are out of the way, the Trust does not have the same need to conserve its cash resources and your Directors are proposing a higher pay-out by recommending a final dividend of 4.34p which, together with the interim dividend of 1.6p makes a total of 5.94p. With the tax credit the gross dividend for the year is 9.0p compared with 7.6p for 1976, an increase of 18.4 per cent.

The main features of the year have been a very sharp increase in market values in the U.K. accompanied by a severe fall in the United States which was aggravated by a decline in the value of both the U.S. Dollar of 11¼ per cent. against the £ and of the investment dollar premium from 45 per cent. to 32¼ per cent. As a result of these contrary influences the net asset value per share at 240p showed an increase of 9.1 per cent. which may be compared with a rise in the FT Actuaries All Share index of 41.2 per cent, and a fall of 33.3 per cent in the Dow Jones Industrial index when adjusted for exchange and premium changes. The performance of the Tokyo index also suffered a reversal, falling 6.1 per cent. against the previous year's rise of 31.4 per cent. A further result has been that the value of our United States investments has, as a proportion of the total, fallen from 37 per cent. to 26 per cent. although there has been no change in investment policy.

The current year will show the full effect of the repayment of the two Debenture Stocks and in addition, the income from overseas investments will suffer from the strength of sterling vis-a-vis other currencies and in particular the United States Dollar. Furthermore, many of the best managed companies in the U.K., which were successful in selling their products competitively overseas when the U.K. economy was in recession are now suffering from the combination of sterling's sudden strength, occasioned by the North Sea Oil windfall, coupled with a rate of inflation in this country still higher than that of any of their competitors. Our revenue for the current year therefore may not compare favourably with that for 1977, but we expect to maintain the dividend now recommended without calling upon our considerable revenue reserves. Against this rather cloudy outlook, there has been one recent favourable development, namely abolition of the rule under which 25 per cent. of the proceeds from the disposal of investment currency holdings has had to be surrendered at the official rate. This long overdue step will remove a serious obstacle to the efficient management of our overseas investments.

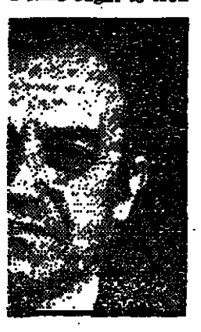
Finally, I would like to say something about the Resolution proposing an increase in the Directors' Fees. At the present time each Director receives £1,000 and the Chairman an additional £250. These rates have not been changed for fifteen years and as a result of inflation have become completely out of date. It is therefore proposed that the overall limit set by Shareholders in General Meeting should be raised to £12,000 although it is not intended that this new limit should be reached until some years hence.

Business Diary in Europe: Nine and the Third World

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at the possibility of making these payments to some degree conditional upon respect by the recipients of fundamental human rights. Cheysson has hitherto backed this idea.

Predictably, the ACP states object strongly to the concept of "conditional" aid. But serious objections have emerged on the EEC side, too.

It is suggested, for example, that the ACP states could retaliate by raising such questions as Northern Ireland, Germany's handling of terrorists, or even the treatment in the EEC of migrant workers, if a human rights clause were used.

Austrian Chancellor Bruno Kreisky's Moscow mission last week lost its original context once an unplanned 80-minutes talk with Russian President Leonid Brezhnev stole the thunder.

But outside the field of international politics, the Austrian delegation appears to have achieved the original aim of its mission, the further improvement of Austrian trade relations with the Soviet Union.

The talks progressed so well, the trade delegation reported on its return, that in March a new, larger and more specialized group will travel to Moscow to discuss the future of no less than 54 projects, varying from participation in the building for the 1980 Olympics to a share in the construction of the second Trans-Siberian railway.

Austria enjoys a special relationship with East European countries. This is part of its historical heritage and is also encouraged by the very large proportion of Vienna businessmen of East European origin whose contact with the present Comecon countries stretches back generations.

Nevertheless, the Austrian trade deficit with Russia has reached, in Austria's view, unreasonable proportions.

In 1977 the deficit was more than 3,500m schillings. The main cause was the rise in the price of natural gas which Austria imports from Russia. The Soviet Union gas sales to Austria in 1974 were valued at 2,700m schillings, but by 1977 the gas bill had risen to 6,000m schillings. It is thus in the best interests of both parties to keep the mains running smoothly.

European consumer representatives in Brussels are outraged by the arguments put forward by a powerful domestic appliance manufacturers' lobby in the European Commission's internal working party on energy conservation.

The men from the Comité Européen des Constructeurs Electro-Domestiques, whose members include the big names such as Philips, Zanussi, Siemens and AEG have been sturdily opposing any attempt at European legislation setting efficiency standards for their products.

Their argument has been that such interference would diminish consumer choice. Insulating appliances to improve their efficiency, for example, might cost more and customers should have the right to choose whether they wish to pay.

The manufacturers are well-represented in the national delegations making up the 25-strong working party, but as CECED was originally allowed its own representative, the European consumer organization has successfully demanded a place to rebut the manufacturers' version of the consumers' interest.

Handsome, debonnaire young Juan Carlos Muntadas is the scion of one of the wealthiest and most respected families in Barcelona, the son of the third Count of Reus, an impeccably dressed wheeler-dealer who lavished £32,000 worth of Christmas gifts on a few close business associates.

Last month he bought a one-way ticket to Brazil, leaving behind debts which may be as high as £10m, according to Spanish newspaper reports.

Muntadas' disappearance shocked upper class Barcelona, many of whose members are now believed unwilling to swear out a complaint against him because he signed notes offering usurious interest rates—sometimes as high as 100 per cent—on loans which they made to him.

Nevertheless police would like him to assist them in their inquiries.

While the financial rubble is being cleared away, there is already one major casualty—the Bank of Navarra, which recently went into trusteeship, to be administered by the Bank of Spain.

The Count's son reportedly left debts of tens of thousands of pounds with that bank.

In fact, it was because of the enforced takeover of the Bank of Navarra that the matter came to light. It appears that bankers were aware of Muntadas' disappearance about a week before the intervention by the Bank of Spain, but bankers dislike scandals about banks.

Among operations carried out by Muntadas which are now under investigation are a "carousel" of cheques, in the words of one banker, which made the rounds from one bank to another in an effort to cover overdrafts.

Others include the purchase of businesses which were in trouble, followed by the rapid sale of the real estate involved without the prompt liquidation of such companies' obligations. Altogether, his debts to various banks are estimated at about £21m, with the remainder owed largely to private investors.

Raymond Poulidor, one of the greats of France's national sport, cycling, has not waited long since calling an end to his racing career at the end of last year. He has just signed a contract to become technical advisor for the bicycle side of Manufrance, the big St Etienne company that specializes in guns and cycles of all sorts.

Poulidor has been the target for a number of the major bicycle firms since his retirement. His name is certain to prove a great selling point for any marque. It comes as something of a surprise therefore to learn that he is joining Manufrance, which has for the past four years been fighting a desperate battle to stay open.

But that, apparently is just why Poulidor decided to join their team. According to his manager, Roger Piel, he felt he wanted to do what he could to help the company out of its difficulties.

The Swiss Bank Corporation has, as it puts it "gained a foothold in Scotland" by setting up a regional branch in Edinburgh. It is the first Swiss bank to venture into the land of the legendry frugal Scots—where, the SBC notes, no doubt in self-encouragement, the banking, insurance and financial sector, is showing a steady 5 per cent growth rate. It will be interesting to see what sparks are struck as the steel of Swiss banking grates against Scottish flint. To commemorate the start of business, the SBC magazine has a cartoon depicting a file of clients at its new branch. They include a laird, a tweedy businessman, a ghost—and a pipe-sucking Loch Ness monster.

PERUSAHAAN UMUM LISTRIK NEGARA
AGENCY OF THE MINISTRY OF PUBLIC WORKS AND ELECTRIC POWER OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF INDONESIA

INVITATION TO BID

Sealed bids covering mechanical and electrical construction for an addition of 400 MW (3x200) Units 7 & 8 steam power plant located at the Muara Karang thermal power plant site on the northwestern outskirts of Jakarta's ring Jakarta and the West Java transmission system will be received up until 11.00 a.m. Western Indonesia time, 20 May 1978, and then publicly opened at the head office of Perusahaan Umum Listrik Negara.

BIDDING DOCUMENTS comprise three volumes and construction drawings as follows:

VOLUME I—Invitation and Instructions to Bidders, General and Special Conditions, Bond and Contract Forms, Specification Equipment Data Sheets.

VOLUME II—Mechanical Construction Specification and construction drawings. This covers the installation of:
(a) Owner furnished equipment, travelling water screens, desalination equipment, heat exchangers, pumps, condensate polishing plant.
(b) Contractor furnished piping, valves, auxiliary equipment and structural steel.

VOLUME III—Electrical Construction Specifications and construction drawings. This covers the installation of:
(a) Owner furnished transformers, electrical substation equipment and associated electrical equipment.
(b) Contractor furnished electrical power and control wiring, lighting and associated electrical materials.

Proposals will be received for Volumes II and III as a single proposal only. Beginning 22 February 1978 complete sets of bidding documents may be examined and obtained upon payment of the non-refundable amount from the following offices:

Perusahaan Umum Listrik Negara, Directorate of Planning, Jalan Trunojoyo 73A M / 12S, Kebayoran Baru, Jakarta, Indonesia
or
Black & Veatch International, 1500 Meadow Lake Parkway, Kansas City, Missouri 64114, U.S.A. Attention: Mr. L. J. Svoboda.

COST OF BIDDING DOCUMENTS (U.S. CURRENCY)
Complete sets of bidding documents consisting of 7 copies of Volume I, 1 copy of Volume II, 1 set of Mechanical Construction Drawings and 1 copy of Volume III and 1 set of Electrical Construction drawings. $800.00
Six copies of Volume I shall be submitted as part of the proposals.

Perusahaan Umum Listrik Negara reserves the right to reject any and all bids, and it is further understood that no obligation to award will arise from the submission of bids or their authorized representatives. To qualify for an award, the bidder must have successfully completed similar facilities of equal or greater size and complexity. This evidence shall consist of a listing of the facilities indicating the owner's name, location, approximate value, type of facilities, date of completion and the size of plant equipment.

The Muara Karang Thermal Plant Project additions are being financed by the World Bank and the Government of Indonesia. Only contractors residing in member countries of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development and Switzerland are eligible to bid.

Jakarta, 1 February 1978

PERUSAHAAN UMUM LISTRIK NEGARA

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DEMOCRATIC AND POPULAR REPUBLIC OF ALGERIA
MINISTRY FOR ENERGY AND THE PETROCHEMICAL INDUSTRY
Marketing Division
Home Market Directorate

Notice of Extension

Entreprise Nationale SONATRACH hereby advises the enterprises and companies involved in the international invitation to tender No. 04/77 relating to the project "Ammonia Filling Centre" that the closing date for submitting tenders originally fixed at March 1, 1978, has been extended to March 31, 1978.

There have been no other changes.

LEGAL NOTICES

ROBERT STIRLING NEWALL deceased

Notice is hereby given pursuant to S.27 of the Trustee Act 1925 that all persons having claims against or an interest in the Estate of the above named late of AVON COTTAGE, LOWER WOODFORD, NR. SALISBURY, WILTSHIRE, who died on the 17th January, 1978 are hereby required to send to the undersigned before the 15th April, 1978 particulars in writing of their claims or interests after which date the estate will be distributed by the personal representatives to the persons entitled thereto having regard only to the claims and interests then notified.

Dated this 8th day of February, 1978.

TOZERS, 2-4 Orchard Gardens, Teignmouth, Devon, TQ14 8DR. Solicitors to the Personal Representatives.

THE COMPANIES ACT 1948 In the HIGH COURT of JUSTICE No. 2638 of 1977—In the Matter of BIOFARM Limited of 261 Victoria Avenue, Ockbrook, Derby, DE7 4RN.

I, IAN PETER PHILLIPS, F.C.A., of 76 New Cavendish Street, London, W1N 8AH hereby give notice that I have been duly appointed and entitled by the Department of Trade and Industry as LIQUIDATOR of the Estate of the above Company.

All persons having in their possession any of the effects of the Company must deliver them to me, and all debts due to the Company must be paid to me.

Creditors who have not yet proved their debts must forward their Proofs of Debt to me.

I.P. PHILLIPS, F.C.A., Liquidator.

EQUSTAR Limited and the Companies Act, 1948.

In the Matter of The Companies Acts, 1948 to 1976 and in the Matter of CRANSFORD BALDWIN Limited (In Voluntary Liquidation)

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 290 of the Companies Act 1948, that a GENERAL MEETING of the MEMBERS of the above-named Company will be held at the offices of the Joint Liquidator, N. R. Cork, at Guildhall House, 81/87 Gresham Street, London EC2V 7DS, on Friday the 10th day of February, 1978, at 2.15 p.m. to be followed at 2.30 p.m. by a CREDITORS' MEETING for the purpose of receiving an account of the Liquidators' Acts and Dealings and of the conduct of the Winding-up to date.

Dated this 31st day of January, 1978.

N. R. CORK, Joint Liquidator.

THE COMPANIES ACTS 1948 TO 1967 P.M.W. CONSTRUCTION Limited.

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to section 293 of the Companies Act 1948, that a MEETING of the CREDITORS of the above-named Company will be held at the offices of Leonard Curtis & Co., situated at 3rd Bentinck Street, London W1A 2BA on Wednesday, the 22nd day of February 1978, at 12 o'clock midday for the purposes mentioned in sections 294 and 295 of the said Act.

Dated this 8th day of February 1978.

By Order of the Board, D. E. WEST, Director.

THE COMPANIES ACTS 1948 TO 1976 DERPER Limited formerly CREMISE JEAN PIERRE Limited.

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to section 293 of the Companies Act 1948, that a MEETING of the CREDITORS of the above-named Company will be held at the offices of Leonard Curtis & Co., situated at 3rd Bentinck Street, London W1A 2BA on Monday, the 27th day of February 1978, at 12 o'clock midday for the purposes mentioned in sections 294 and 295 of the said Act.

Dated this 7th day of February 1978.

By Order of the Board, P. V. DERBY, Director

LEGAL NOTICES

In the Matter of the Companies Acts, 1948 to 1976 and in the Matter of HARSVAC MECHANICAL SERVICES Limited (In Voluntary Liquidation)

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 299 of the Companies Act, 1948, that a GENERAL MEETING of the MEMBERS of the above-named Company will be held at the offices of W. R. Cork, Gully & Co., Chartered Accountants, of Guildhall House, 81/87 Gresham Street, London EC2V 7DS on Tuesday, 28th day of February, 1978, at 11.15 a.m. to be followed at 12 noon by a GENERAL MEETING of the CREDITORS for the purpose of receiving an account of the Liquidator's Acts and Dealings and of the conduct of the Winding-up to date.

Dated this 2nd day of February, 1978.

M. A. JORDAN, Liquidator.

THE COMPANIES ACT 1948 Notice of Appointment of LIQUIDATOR

Name of Company: HENRY OST AND CO. Limited.
Address of Registered Office: 501 Oxford Street, London W.1.
Nature of Business: WHISKY BLENDERS
Court: HIGH COURT of JUSTICE. Number of Matter: 001779 of 1977.
Liquidator's Name: MICHAEL JOHN ARNOLD.
Liquidator's Address: Rolls House, 7 Rolls Buildings, Fetter Lane, London, EC4A 1NL.
Date of Appointment: 11th July 1978.

M. J. ARNOLD, Liquidator

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to Section 299 of the Companies Act, 1948, that a MEETING of the CREDITORS of the above named Company will be held at 76, New Cavendish Street, London, W1M 8AH, on Friday the 17th day of February, 1978 at 11.30 o'clock in the forenoon, for the purposes mentioned in Sections 295 and 296 of the said Act.

Dated this 8th day of February, 1978.

S. C. FREEDMAN, Director.

COMPANY NOTICES

THE THOMSON ORGANISATION Limited

Notice is hereby given that the REGISTER of the 5.85% Cumulative Preference Shares of the Company will be CLOSED for one day only on Friday, 24th February 1978, for the preparation of Dividend Warrants which will be payable on 31st March 1978.

By Order of the Board, M. D. KNIGHT, Secretary.

3 Stratford Place, London W1A 4XG.

TRANSFER BOOKS

RANSOMES SIMS & JEFFERIES.

Notice is hereby given that the TRANSFER REGISTER for the Preference shares will be CLOSED from the 25th February to the 10th March 1978 both dates inclusive, for the preparation of dividend warrants.

By Order of the Board, L. W. BRYANT, Secretary.

Orwell Works, Ipswich.

PUBLIC NOTICES

PITALUGA late HOWARD, GERTRUDE AMELIA PITALUGA otherwise GERTRUDE GRETA PITALUGA other GERTRUDE MILLICENT PITALUGA otherwise GERTRUDE GRETA MILLICENT PITALUGA late HOWARD, widow, late of 3 Prospect Row, Cambridge, died at Cambridge on 20th May 1977 Intestate. Estate about £3,1001. The kin of the above-named are requested to Apply to Messrs Viviers, Solicitors, St George House, 1 Guildhall Street, Cambridge.

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THE TIMES

Analyst feels market has failed to appreciate the Leyland storms

So, British Leyland has a new policy and renewed pledges of faith from its workforce and dealers. Very good. Does that necessarily imply that the prospects for shares in Leyland's vehicle distributors is about to shine? Mr Michael Whitaker, for Simon & Coates, who proably studies motor stocks as conscientiously as anyone, thinks not.

It is easy to accuse the City of following investment fashions and poke fun at its earnest pursuit of spoken rather than proven confidence but there can be little doubt that the broker in this case has not forgotten what the research fraternity like to describe as the fundamentals.

The fundamentals at British Leyland are simply that its market share is falling while production is improving.

Mr Whitaker believes that the stock build-up in the dealer network may soon begin to reach record proportions, which suggests that unit margins will contract as the level of discounts is widened in an attempt to clear stock.

The big marketing drive that British Leyland chief, Mr Michael Edwardes, has planned for the March-May period might suggest that the company will subsidize its dealers by offering special discounts. But Mr Whitaker's industry sources lead him to think that stock shortages in recent years have left the distributorships with a "distinctly unaggressive marketing stance" so the new Leyland management team is unlikely to subsidize dealers without evidence of a tougher sales approach.

This trend will reverse the situation last year when product shortages produced fat margins. The impact of rising production and the pressure that the manufacturer could impose on its dealers may not show through in the next set of distributorship profits since most report on a September year-end.

But Mr Whitaker is sure that the market has failed to appreciate the storms gathering and points out that Leyland dealers have performed exceptionally well recently in line with the rest of the sector yet, despite the creative strength illustrated by the Pride & Clarke acquisition, peak price bids for Leyland dealers "Car almost certainly be ruled out, for most dealers are currently urgently trying to diversify out of these franchises, not to acquire them"

So holders of Leyland dealer stocks should begin to take profits when yields fall much below 9 per cent as below this

Brokers' views

sort of yield basis "the fundamental uncertainties are such that institutional buying interest is unlikely to be maintained. For further outperformance a switch into Ford dealers is recommended". It is noticeable that the five companies with the highest return of assets in the sector—Harold Perry, T. C. Harrison, H. & J. Quick, Frank G. Gates and BSG, all distribute Ford vehicles.

The motor industry and its vicissitudes has frequently proved a ready source of meaty material for those blockbusting novelists but, in one of the most self-effacing introductions ever presented to a sector review, Grieveson Grant prefaces its work on Magnet & Southerns and the United Kingdom timber industry with the disclaimer that "such human excitement is sadly missing from this study".

The authors Mr John Stevens and Mr Andrew Melrose continue in a more ebullient tone; "many of those whose work we describe may well feel, as the building cycle turns down, borrowings rise and expansion plans have to be abandoned, that they are fully part of the novelists' world of men faced by sudden, personal and financial crisis."

No, the mysterious Olga and the beautiful Natasha are missing from the review (shame) but the industry has an air of suspense due to the need to assess Russia's pricing policies and estimating its likely levels of supply. Negotiations are real enough between East and West and form the background to this study "of an industry emerging from an extended period of poor demand with the prospect of a major period of expansion now not too distant".

As ever, Grieveson's sector survey is extremely comprehensive but to summarize Magnet & Southerns is recommended for its likely benefit from the recovery in private housing starts and higher levels of consumer DIY and renovation expenditure. Mallinson-Denny is tipped for its strong overseas insulation to the vagaries of the domestic economy, Montague L. Meyer has a sound manufacturing base and complete vertical integration and Parker Timber is considered a worthwhile buy for, like Magnet and Meyer, it is well placed to gain from higher DIY sales and improving house starts and, in addition, the export packing, storage and distribution subsidiary should make a strong contribution.

Ray Maugham

Security Selection to be struck off SE list

By Richard Allen

Security Selection, the licensed share dealer at the centre of a year-long Stock Exchange inquiry, is to be struck off the Stock Exchange Council's register of recognized agents.

In a report published last week, the Stock Exchange declared that during February last year Security profited by selling shares in Bonser Engineering to its own unit trust at a higher price than it had bought the shares in the market.

Since the Exchange began its inquiry, Security which is run by Mr Timothy Yeo, transferred the £4,000 profit on the deal to the unit trust and reimbursed unit holders who had sold stakes between February and August.

Removal from the register does not prevent Security managing the trust but it does take away concessions which provide the opportunity for fairly significant financial savings to be made on deals taking place within the market.

These include a limited commission rate on large transactions and a commission "bonus" for new business brought to the market.

Clearers season opens with Lloyds on Friday

A long list of economic indicators ranging from retail sales today to balance of payments tomorrow and consumer spending on Thursday, will be set against a fairly thin company news list.

However, the banking season gets under way on Friday when Lloyds Bank produces final results. Brokers J. & A. Scrimgeour is going for profits of £166.1m against £147.7m restated for last year. Scrimgeours is also particularly interested in what the clearers will have to say about the massive backlogs of deferred tax in their balance sheets. Lloyds may provide the lead on answering this question.

On the face of it these sums would seem to be enough to rule out capital raising exercises but Midland's surprise rights package has given the market second thoughts.

On Wednesday Birmid Qualcast, the lawnmower and foundry group, announces its final figures. Brokers James Capel have revised down estimates in the light of substantial industrial problems in the company's major motor industry customers. They expect an



Mr David Donne, chairman of Dalgety.

the weakness of the dollar. They expect a £9.5m pre-tax profit against £8.1m last time.

Companies reporting this week are:

TODAY.—Interims—Ariel Industries, Bishopsgate Platinum (second (interim), Caledonian Trust Palmerston Invest Tst, Pres Tools, and Western Canada Invest Trust. Finals—Manchester Ship Canal, Nottingham Manufacturing Plastic Constructions, and Reliabl Props.

TOMORROW. — Interims — John Haggas, J.C.E.G. Group, Wade Departmental Stores, and Joseph Webb. Finals—AC Cars, W Canning, Crescent Japan Invest Trust, Crest Nicholson, Drake & Scull, General Consolidated In Trust, Donald Mcpherson, Portvair, Thermal Syndicate Vereeniging Refractories, and Bernard Wardle.

WEDNESDAY. — Interims — Dalgety, John James Group, Mea Trade Suppliers, MFI Furniture Centres, Regional Props, Reliance Knitwear, Stewart Plastics, Tow & City Props and United Res Prop Trust. Finals—Bath & Portland, Birmid Qualcast, Copenhagen Handelsbank, Cornel Dresses, Foreign & Colonial Trust Co, Renown Inc, Thomas Witte & Co, and Yeoman Invest Trust

THURSDAY. — Interims—Brown Bros Corpn Econa, Shires Invest Co, Throgmorton Secured Growth Trust, and Witan Inv (9 month figs). Finals—Adams & Gibbon Albright & Wilson, Debenture Corp, Newbold & Burton Hldgs, New York & Gartmore Invest Trust, River & Mercantile Trust, River Plate & General Invest Trust, and St Andrew Trust.

FRIDAY.—Interims—Helical Bar, J. Wedgwood (9 month figs). Finals—Alcan Booth Inds, H. J. Investments, Lloyds Bank, Wagon Finance Corp, and Website Publications.

Bryan Appleyard

This week

£11.4m pretax profit against last year's annualized figure of £11.6m.

On Thursday chemicals group Albright and Wilson is announcing final figures. Brokers Williams de Broe Hill Chaplin expect profits of £32.5m against £31.6m last time. Albright said it expected to maintain profits, but since then the brokers believe the fertilizer side may have chipped in something extra.

Final figures are due today from textile group Nottingham Manufacturing. Manchester brokers Henry Cooke Lumsden think the company's cash strength and large contracts with Marks & Spencer will have offset any problems on the carpet side and are expecting pre-tax profits of £13.5m against £11.3m last time.

Interim figures are due from international trader Dalgety which has recently made a number of acquisitions in the chemicals business on Wednesday. Grieveson Grant see the key point in this case as the likely turnaround in the group's United States frozen food operation. A strike last year pushed this into loss but six months of normal trading will have put it back into the black and helped cancel out any problems from

Braid worried by impact of car price rises

Customer resistance to rises in car prices are progressively longer after each increase, writes Mr Denby Bamford, chairman of the Braid Group, in his annual statement.

If this process were to be projected too far the effect on the volume of sales could be serious, he says. He adds that if the group is to use its talents to the full it must have an adequate and consistent supply of vehicles in line with the programmes agreed with the manufacturers.

Moreover, the company should not be called upon to sustain price rises which the customer is unable or unwilling to bear.

While appreciating the problems of manufacturers Mr Bamford says there are a number of factors which the company cannot control and which he has to bear in mind when considering prospects. Indeed, car sales in the first two months of the current year were "less than buoyant."

Plans to 1978 include a continued increase in profits and he hopes, outside factors notwithstanding, they will be fulfilled.

Freight report

Tanker trade just holding its own

Tanker rates for vlcc's are managing to just about hold their own and keep up an average level of around worldscale 20. Last week brought an increase in the big ship business done out of the Gulf and on a number of fixtures, rates higher than worldscale 20 were paid.

Although trading started rather slow last week because of yet another bout of severe weather in the United States, by midweek it had perked up and the volume of new inquiry also increased.

Early on, Shell Houston booked two 220,000-tonners for Gulf to Curacao runs. The first was fixed at worldscale 20 on a slow steaming basis, and worldscale 21.75 on full steam. The second which involved the shipment of a part cargo, obtained worldscale 20.9 and worldscale 22.15 respectively.

Socal also met its requirement by taking a 300,000-tonner to move a part cargo at worldscale 19.5 from the Gulf to the United Kingdom/Continent. Additionally the Swedish government made a reappearance chartering a BP vlcc on a forward loading booking at worldscale 20.

Around midweek some United States companies entered the market with Ashland and Cities Service seeking vlccs. The former soon fixed a 240,000-tonner for a trip to the Caribbean, the rate being worldscale 20.5 for slow steaming and 22.5 on full steaming. Three other vlccs were also taken as the weekend approached with a 260,000-tonner secured by Cities Service laying claim to the highest rate paid with worldscale 20.5/21.

While the stabilization of vlcc rates can be a source of little encouragement, it can in no way detract from the desperation now facing many a tanker owner.

The other loading areas experienced rather subdued fixing volumes with the Caribbean being slightly better off than the Mediterraneau and West Africa.

David Robinson

Surplus of minerals creating problems

A fine irony is developing in the depressed base metal sector. Until now the CIPEC copper producers, particularly Zambia, have been taking a lot of stick for keeping up their production rates at all costs despite the fact that the world stockpile is ever increasing and only serving to keep prices down.

The claim has been that because political necessity—foreign exchange, employment and the structure of their economies—has overridden straight economic decisions in these countries, mining companies elsewhere operating on strictly economic criteria have been left to bear the brunt of production cutbacks and closures.

Now, however, the CIPEC countries are being joined by the developed countries, or at least their provincial states, in trying to alter the basic economics through subsidies or other aid (the mining industry and subsidies are not mutually exclusive as successive British Governments have shown with their penchant for bailing out lame ducks).

Last year the Australian and Tasmanian governments went to the aid of Consolidated Gold Fields' Mount Lyell, because of the disastrous effects on the

Mining

local population and economy closure of the mine would have. Despite the A$1,780,000 of government aid the company received in the half year, it has still made a net loss of $1,040,000.

But Mt Lyell is but a drop in the copper ocean and what happens there is unimportant to the global position. In the same way the recent decision by the Quebec government to provide loans to Campbell Chilbougamau to prevent the closure of its northern Quebec operations is not particularly important except that it shows a spreading of the tendency to keep things alive after their natural time is due.

Far more serious are the attempts being made in Ontario to prevent a run-down of Inco's operations at Sudbury. The State Legislature committee has produced a recommendation that Inco's cutbacks should be suspended for 60 days and that the Federal and State Governments should provide the company with interest free loans to cover the excess nickel production that would result.

The proposals are currently being studied at Federal level and by the company, although it is a fair bet that Inco has no stomach for such plans.

One can understand the concern of local politicians at the employment effects and the loss of state revenue, but the prescription seems nearly disastrous.

The crisis in the nickel industry shows no sign of abating, albeit the price war, principally between Inco and Amax, has been called off for the time being. Inco's year-end stocks had risen from 308 million pounds at the end of the third quarter to 340 million pounds, or nearly three and a half times what the company considers to be a "normal" level, and if the committee has its way the stocks will rise even faster (the company's proposed cutback is in the region of 15 per cent) than they are expected to anyway this year.

Western production, on the basis of known cuts and those proposed, has been estimated by Brook Hunt & Associates at between 450,000 tonnes and 470,000 tonnes, which, with net imports from the Eastern block of 30,000 tonnes, gives total supplies of between 480,000 tonnes and 500,000 tonnes.

With nickel consumption estimated at 505,000 tonnes, that gives a draw down on stocks (assuming that deliveries match consumption) of just 5,000 tonnes to 25,000 tonnes which counts for little when producer inventories are estimated to be 350,000 tonnes, or 70 per cent of annual consumption. (Real inventories may be much higher because it is believed that some producers have resorted to off-balance sheet financing.)

Brook Hunt believes that there will be a slowing down in world economic activity in the second half of the year and higher interest rates in the United States which will lead to greater pressure on producers to cut back their inventories.

Desmond Quigley

Weekly list of fixed interest stocks

	Latest price	Prev week
Alb & Wilson 7½ Deb '83-90	72½	72½
All Pty Hldgs 9¼ Ln '92-97	74½	74½
All Brew 6½ Deb '87-92	68½	68½
Do 7½ Ln '93-98	69½	68½
Ass Sts 7¾ Deb '90-95	69½	69½
AB Foods 5¾ Ln '82-2002	25½	25½
Assoc Elec 6 Deb '78-82	67½	72
Do 6½ Deb '86-91	68½	69½
AP Cement 7 Deb '88-93	67½	72
Do 9 Deb '92-97	77	78½
BICC 7¾ Deb '90-95	70	71½
FOC Int 7½ Deb '81-86	76	76
Do 9 Tonnage 1988	87½	91
Bank of Ireland 7 Ln '86-91	65½	65½
Barclays Bank 8½ '86-91	75½	76½
Barclays Int 7½ Ln '86-91	74½	74½
Bass Char 3¼ Ln '87-92	36	46½
Do 7½ Ln '92-97	69½	70½
Do 8½ Deb '87-92	77	78½
Beecham 6½ Ln '78-83	82½	82½
Do 8½ Ln '84-89	78½	78½
Bibby 10½ Deb '94-99	87	81½
Birmid Qual 7½ Ln '87-92	60½	59
Boots 6 Ln '74-83	80	85½
Do 7½ '88-93	70½	75
Bridon 8 Deb '88-93	77	75
Brit Am Tob 7 Ln '82-87	83½	85½
Brit Leyland 6 '98-2003	37½	35
Do 7½ Ln '87-92	47½	45½
Do 8 Ln '98-2003	48½	47
Brit Petrol 5 Deb '74-78	98	98½
Brit Shoe 7 '80-82	88½	89½
Brooke Bond 3½ Ln '2003-08	43	44
Do 7 2003-08	57½	59
Burmah Oil 6½ Ln '78-81	76½	77½
Do 8½ Ln '91-96	58½	59½
Do 7½ Ln '81-86	64½	66½
Burton Gp 9¼ Ln '98-2003	74	74
Cadbury-Schweppes 8½ Ln '94-2004	75½	75½
Do 9 '88-93	81½	81½
Coats Patons 4½ Ln '2002-07	39½	39
Do 7½ '90-95	66	67
Courtaulds 6½ Ln '94-99	72½	73
Do 7 '82-87	76½	78
Do 7½ Deb '89-94	73	75
Debenham 6½ 2nd Deb '86-91	60½	60½
Do 6½ Ln '86-91	64	63½
Do 7½ Ln 2002-07	64	64
Distillers 7½ Ln '88-93	68	69½
Dunlop 6½ Deb '85-90	73	72½
EMI Ln '87-92	65½	65½
English Elec 6 Deb '80-85	80½	80½
Esso 6 Deb '77-80	90½	91½
Fisons 6½ 2nd Deb '84-89	64½	70½
Gallaher 6 Ln '83-88	76½	76½
Gen Acc 7½ '92-97	67½	69½
GEC 7½ '87-92	68½	68½
Do 7½ '88-93	68½	72½
Glaxo 7½ '86-95	35p	36p
Glynwed 10½ Ln '94-99	87½	90
GUS 5¼ Ln	39½	39½
Do 7½ Ln '83-88	78	78
Do 8¼ Ln '93-98	72	74
Hawker Sid 7½ Deb '87-92	72½	73½
ICI 3½ '93-2004	38	38½
Do 7½ Ln '86-91	70	73
Do 8 '88-93	72	73½
Imperial Gp 4 Ln '75-80	84½	86
Do 7½ 2004-09	62½	64
Inchcape Services 8 Ln '88-93	73½	75½
Int Stores 7½ Ln 2003-08	65	65
Lapointe 10½ Deb '94-99	90½	90½
Lands Sec 8½ '92-97	73½	73½
Lewis's Inv Trust 6½ 2nd '85-90	58	59½
Lucas Ind 7½ '87-92	76½	68½
MEPC 8 Ln 2000-05	68½	68½
Metal Box 10½ '92-97	102½	102½
Midland Bank 10¾ Ln '93-98	90½	92
Nat West Bank 9 Ln 1993	80½	82
Rank Hovis 6½ Ln '76-81	86½	87½
Do 6½ Ln '85-88	68	69½
Reckitt & Col 6½ Deb '85-90	72	72
Reed Int 7½ Deb '90-95	68	70
Renold 7½ Ln '92-97	68½	68½
Rugby Port Cem 6 '95-98	53½	54½
Salisbury (J.) 7½ Deb '87-92	70½	70½
Scot Newcastle 5¾ Deb	81½	80½
Do 7½ Deb '88-93	73½	75½
Slough Est 7½ Deb '85-90	72	72
Smith (W. H.) 5¾ Ln	38½	38½
Spillers 7 Deb '78-83	85½	87½
Do 7½ Deb '83-88	79½	79½
Tate & Lyle 7½ Deb '84-89	71½	72½
Thomson Org 3 Deb '64-94	57	58
Do 7½ Ln '87-92	60½	66½
Tilling (T.) 8½ Ln '86-91	75½	76
Total 4½ Per Deb '85-90	36½	36½
Do 7½ '85-90	73	75
Trafalgar Ld 7½ Deb '88-93	72	72
Tube Investment 9 Ln '84-94	79	79
Turner & Newall 8 Ln '87-92	74½	74½
UDS 7½ Deb '85-90	73	75
Do 10½ Deb '89-94	95½	95½
Unigate 6½ Ln '91-96	78	78½
Do 7½ Deb '86-91	75½	79½
Unilever 6½ Deb '85-88	77	76
Wagon Fin 11½ Ln '94-99	96	96
Do 8 Ln '90-95	75½	75½
Whitbread 7½ Ln '93-98	63½	64½
Do 7½ Ln '96-2000	67	67
$ CONVERTIBLES		
Advest 8 '89-94	136	143
AB Food 7½ '94-2004	175	175
BPB 7½ '89-94	145	147
Bowrin C. T. 1981	98	102
Brit Petrol 6 '76-80	88½	89½
Williams 10½ '91-96	102	104
Grand Met 10½ '91-96	113	111½
Guest Keen 6½ 1981	85½	86
Ind and Gen 3½ '93-00	85	85
Lucas Ind 6½ 1980	103½	102½
MEPC 9 '88-94	98	97
Midland Bank 7½ '85-95	81	80½
Ready Mixed 8½ 1978	110	110
Romney Tst 4½ '73-98	76	76
Stork Cont 5½ 1984	248	248
Temple Bar 7½ '80-90	96	96

° Ex Dividend.

Record year from Borg-Warner

Last year's earnings of the Borg-Warner Corporation, the American group whose interests range from chemicals and plastics to building products and transport equipment, rose from $81.7m to a record $104m last year.

Mr James Bere, chairman, said the group was particularly pleased with an improvement in margins which indicated that "we are moving towards our goal of substantially improving our operating efficiency."

Sales in each of the group's product areas were higher again with the air-conditioning business recording the biggest single gain.

Sales for 1977 rose from $1.862m to $2.032m and topped the two-billion dollar mark for the first time. After tax margins for the full year rose from 4.4 per cent to 5.1 per cent with those in the fourth quarter up from 4.6 per cent to 5.8 per cent. Final quarter earnings were also a record, at $31.5m against $21.7m.

Honeywell-Bull

Paris.—CII-Honeywell Bull, the French-United States computer group, had a consolidated net income of Fr144m last year, against Fr87.4m in 1976. Turnover went up 21 per cent to Fr3.788 billion from 3.131 billion. CII-Honeywell Bull's cash flow amounted to Fr661m at the end of 1977, up from Fr529m a year earlier.

Capital expenditure last year totalled Fr751m. Orders at the end of 1977 were 33 per cent up on the year before.

Alexanders Discount a big holder of gilts

Alexanders Discount ended last year with its largest total book ever, the main increase being in holdings of Treasury bills and commercial and local authority bills, writes chairman John Glyn in his annual report.

He says that the unprecedented movement in rates last year called for strong nerves on many occasions and certain events dictated caution. This meant large fluctuations in the size and shape of the portfolio although, he adds, it is fair to say a much larger holding in gilts was maintained than for several years.

Glynwed and GEC in S Africa

Defy Industries, the South African subsidiary of Glynwed, and South African General Electric, the GEC subsidiary, are in talks which could result in the domestic and household appliance division of SAGE being merged with Defy.

The basis of the negotiations is that the business will be acquired by Defy from the start of 1978 and that the consideration will be met with shares.

It is expected the negotiations will be formally concluded by the end of this month when a further announcement on the terms will be made.

Simon pays £575,000 for Croftshaw

For £575,000 in shares Simon Engineering has brought Croftshaw (Engineers), based at Long Melford in Suffolk. For a nominal $5,000 Simon has also agreed to buy the goodwill of Croftshaw's New York associate Croftshaw Corporation.

Croftshaw designs and manufactures solvent recovery plants for a wide range of manufacturing, chemical and other industries. Over the year to April last taxable profits were £127,000 and net assets are £519,000. Simon intends to develop the business at its present location.

Morgan Edwards disappoints

Things look grim at Morgan Edwards, the food distributor with the group going into pre-tax loss for the 28 weeks to October 15, of £116,000. This compares with pre-tax profit for the corresponding period of £75,000. Sales which show a decline from £14.4m to £12.5m are due to the sale of the group's cash-and-carry interest and also the loss of large catering contracts which combined amounted to £3.1m.

Italsider's capital

Rome.—The state-controlled steel group Italsider needs 1.5 trillion lire in new share capital to reduce debts and balance more closely its invested capital of 4.5 trillion lire, Mr Ambrogio Puri, chairman, said.

Italsider ended 1977 with debts of four trillion lire, built up to finance investments of three trillion lire in the past 10 years. Interest payments cost the group 475 billion lire equivalent to around one quarter of net turnover.

Lloyds Bank Int

Despite the uninspiring prospects for the world economy, Lloyds Bank International is looking for another increase in proifts. First-quarter returns for the current year have been encouraging, although it is doubtful if the group can maintain the nearly doubled profits to £43.1m. But with deposits of £5,230m compared with advances of £2,717m there is plenty of balance-sheet muscle to respond to an upturn in loan demand.

Corn Exchange to expand in commodities

Expansion in the commodity market can be expected from the Corn Exchange Company.

Writing in the annual report R. Goodfellow, chairman, says with all its letting space, both offices and markets, fully occupied, and believing that further revenue can be attracted if suitable accommodation becomes available, the board is exploring with its commodity market contacts avenues of expansion and development. But the chairman says it is too early to comment specifically.

Commenting on last year's pre-tax profits of £335,000, the highest in the company's history, the chairman says the small fall in rent revenue is explained by the absence of an exceptional sum of £34,000 received in the previous year because of the surrender of a substantial tenant's lease.

Business appointments

Mr Michael Hare to head S Pearson & Son board

Mr Michael Hare has been appointed chief executive of S. Pearson & Son.

Mr R T. Fox has joined the board of Barclays Bank International.

Mr James Hyland has been appointed group chief executive of Youghal Carpets (Holdings) from May 1. He succeeds Mr Brian O'Brien, who continues as group chairman.

Mr Ewen Macpherson has joined the boards of Provincial Insurance and Provincial Life Assurance.

Mr Peter Bleay has become managing director of William Lawrence. Mr L. Peskin, the former chairman and managing director, has resigned with the recent acquisition of the company by Thomas Tilling.

Mr Don Hanson has been appointed managing director of Norwest Holst Southern, Mr Ian Scarborough has been made managing director of Norwest Holst Western, Mr Mike Cossey, managing director of Norwest Holst Northern; Mr "Jock" McBeath, managing director of Norwest Holst Civil Engineering, and Mr George Eley is to be managing director of the specialized services division.

Mr Gordon Newman has been appointed a director of DCI International (Air Freight).

Dr P. J. Palmer and Mr R. N. Gollman have been appointed directors of Small Business Capital Fund.

Mr Harry Roche is to succeed Mr Les Smith as managing director of the Manchester Evening News. Mr Smith retires on April 4.

Mr John F. Storey has joined American International Underwriters (London) as a director and manager of the reinsurance department.

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Need for doubled copper price to justify developing a new mine

A warning that a copper price double the present level is needed to justify going ahead with the development of a major new mine has been given in New York by Mr Charles F. Barber, the chairman of Asarco Inc.

He told the Copper Club's annual meeting that until price expectations are considerably improved, a continuing gap in commitments to new capacity can be expected.

Mr Barber spoke about the experience in Peru of Southern Peru Copper Corporation, which is part owned by Asarco. It completed construction of its Toquepala mine in 1959 with a capacity of 140,000 short tons per year, at a cost of some $237m, or some $1,700 per ton of annual capacity.

Late in 1976, construction of the company's 180,000-ton Cuajone mine was completed at a cost of $726m, or about $4,033 per ton of annual capacity. If the mine were being constructed in 1977, costs would probably be an estimated $1,200m, or about $6,700 per annual ton of capacity.

Financing for Cuajone included project loans from 11 separate lending groups related to equipment suppliers, Japanese and European copper buyers, the United States Export-Import Bank and the International Finance Corporation of the World Bank.

Mr Barber said that the outlook for the lenders was satisfactory so long as Cuajone received 50 cents per lb or better for its copper. But for the investor owners to recover their stake in the project with interest, an average price of 80 cents per lb would be needed.

For a 15 per cent return on investment after taxes, an average price of 97 cents per lb would be needed.

This assumed that a Peruvian law which required worker participation in earnings would be repealed or substantially modified, which was likely. If the project were being built now, at an estimated cost of some $1,200m, an average copper price of $1.35 would be needed to recover a 15 per cent return on the investment, Mr Barber said.

Some people believed that future copper projects would be financed by governments which might disregard the economics of the investment.

One indication of this possible trend was the decision by a consortium of western banks to lend money to Poland for the development of copper deposits there, even though Polish representatives at recent international copper talks said that the country would not trim its production or restrain its exports in a future down cycle.

But even some governments now heavily involved in copper were finding that they could not avoid balance sheet discipline, at least when their total economy had exhausted its debt capacity.

In the future, said Mr Barber, copper production might be hampered from the cumulative effect of cash stringency, deferred development and maintenance and the disappearance of high grade ore, as had already occurred in Zambia.

Commodities

Mr Gamani Corea, secretary-general of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (Unctad) was in London last Thursday and had talks with British ministers about further negotiations on an international fund to stabilize world commodity markets. He met Mr Edmund Dell, the Trade Secretary; and Mr Frank Judd, Minister of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, who specializes in European Common Market affairs.

Mr Corea is touring Western capitals including Washington, Paris and Bonn. Negotiations on the stabilization fund were deadlocked in Geneva about two months ago at a conference of rich and poor nations.

British officials said that Britain favours resuming the negotiations after careful preparation so that they offer a good prospect of success. Britain believes that the Commonwealth has a special role to play in bridging the gap between the rich industrialized nations and the developing states in the north-south economic dialogue. But the two sides are still far apart on the form and function of the proposed common fund.

In the Commons Mr Frank Hooley (Sheffield, Heeley, Lab) tabled a question on whether the Government intended to follow the example of the Government of The Netherlands and pledge an initial contribution of $25m to a common fund for commodities.

In a written reply, Mr Michael Meacher, Parliamentary Under Secretary at the Department of Trade, said that as proposed by the developed countries collectively at the outset of the second session of the common fund conference, the fund's buffer stocking facility should, in the Government's view, be based on cash deposits from countries as members of international commodity agreements, and on market borrowing, rather than on direct contributions from the fund's own member governments.

The long wrangle between Malaysia and Australia about the price of sugar under a long-term supply contract appears to have come to an end. A Reuter report from Kuala Lumpur quotes Datuk Mahathir Mohamed, the Deputy Premier and Trade and Industry Minister, as saying that an agreement amending the terms of the contract has been initialled by both parties.

Although the new price Malaysia will pay for the Australian sugar has not been disclosed, Malaysian officials said that the domestic price of $M1 a kilo would be maintained.

Wallace Jackson
Commodities Editor

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Briefly

WIGGINS CONSTRUCT
Interim pre-tax profits £141,000, against £106,000. Dividend 0.77p (0.73p) net.

RUO ESTATES
For year to June 30 turnover £2.46m (£1.36m) and taxable profit £1.32m (£470,000). Total dividend 13p net (7.54p).

ABERDEEN CONSTRUCTION
Alexander Hall subsidiary has won contract worth £13.65m to build second phase of Inverness Central Hospital. Contract awarded by Highland Health Board and is largest ever won by member of group.

HESTAIR DENNIS
Company confirms orders worth £1.5m for 70 double decker buses during January. Hongkong ordered 50 bus chassis following Kowloon Motor Bus Company's trials of four Jubilant front engine buses delivered last year.

MOTOROLA
1977 earnings $106m against $92m. Net margins were 5.7 per cent compared with 6.0 per cent.

MECCA-BULL CINEMAS
Mecca offer has been declared unconditional.

BRITISH INDS & GEN INV
London & Manchester and subsidiary Welfare Insurance have bought further 38,600 deferred shares making total of 870,000, or 21.1 per cent of total equity.

CLAVERHOUSE INV
At January 27 Pearl Assurance had 9.4 per cent of shares and Scottish Amicable 8.37 per cent.

ASEA GROUP
Orders received last year were £916.8m (£951.8m). Sales rose 16 per cent to £1,093.1m. Level of *orders in hand at price level at* year end was slightly less than year before, £1,619.8m (£1,642.3m). Operating earnings fell 31 per cent to £53.3m.

More share prices

The following will be added to the London and Regional Share Price List tomorrow and will be published daily in Business News.

Commercial & Industrial
Christy Bros Ltd.
Garford Lilley Ind.
Young H. Holdings.

Issues market shows better performance

The Eurodollar bond market performed well last week though the bulk of new investment seemed to be directed into issues denominated in other currencies, particularly the Deutsche mark and Swiss franc, *writes AP-Dow Jones.*

Dealers said steadiness of the dollar in the foreign exchange market and the levelling out of short-term interest rates caused an improvement in investor psychology.

However, many forecasters remain pessimistic about the year as a whole. They contend that bond yields will be forced higher and prices down because of rising inflation in the United States combined with heavy credit demands by the Federal government in the second-half of this year. And surely another outbreak of currency turmoil would add to downward pressure on Eurodollar bond prices.

However, another school of thought holds that the Eurodollar bond market will become starved for good quality paper as the year wears on, and this will help keep prices firm.

It is argued that corporate demand for long-term finance will remain slack because widespread surplus production capacity will limit the need for financing.

Governments always need money, of course. Yet many government borrowers may turn to the syndicated bank loan market instead of the Eurobond market for funds.

Banks are particularly anxious to lend money these days, partly because of the absence of corporate loan demand. And probably many government entities will be enticed into taking out medium-term bank loans because large amounts can be obtained at historically small margins above prevailing interbank interest rates.

For example, Sweden is expected to be in the market shortly for a $1,000m Eurocurrency bank loan. Denmark has made arrangements to borrow $500m over seven years. Finland just obtained a $200m, six-year standby facility.

In any case, the calendar of scheduled Eurodollar bond offerings has remained modest since the beginning of the year. At present, four such issues are scheduled for offering but they are all small ones.

Syndicate sources said that a $25m eight-year issue of New Zealand Forest Products, the largest private corporation in New Zealand, is already well oversubscribed even though the offering will not be priced until later this week.

Euromarkets

Eurobond prices (yields and premiums)

US STRAIGHTS ($)

	Offer Price	Rdptn Yld
Australia 7½ 1984	96	8.32
Australia 8½ 1992	95⅞	8.77
Aust Mining 9½ 1992	98⅞	9.31
Avco 9¼ 1983	101⅛	8.95
Barclays 8½ 1992	97⅛	8.81
Bowater 9½ 1992	97⅞	9.54
British Gas 9 1991	102⅛	8.37
Citicorp 6½ 1980	97⅞	7.81
Citicorp 7 1981	97⅞	7.90
CECA 8½ 1989	97	8.67
CECA 8½ 1997	97	9.08
DSM 8½ 1987	97⅞	8.68
Elf Aquitaine 8½ 1985	97⅞	8.81
EIB 8½ 1987	97⅞	8.60
EEC 7½ 1984	97⅛	8.29
Fisons 8½ 1992	95	9.58
Gotaverken 7½ 1982	98⅞	7.97
Gotaverken 8½ 1987	95	8.92
Hydro Quebec 9 1992	96⅞	9.48
ICI 8½ 1987	97⅞	8.64
IU O'seas 8½ 1987	96⅞	9.33
Light-Servicos 9 1983	98⅞	9.49
MacMillan Bloed 9 1992	97⅞	9.32
Midland Int 8½ 1992	97⅞	9.05
NCB 8 1987	95⅞	8.75
Nat West 9 1986	102⅛	8.53
New Zealand DFC 7½ 1984	96⅛	8.47
Nippon Fudosan 8 1981	99⅛	8.25
Occidental 8½ 1987	97⅞	9.11
Occidental 9½ 1981	103⅛	8.61
Offshore Mining 8½ 1985	98⅛	8.57
Quebec 9 1995	96⅛	9.44
Rank Hovis 9 1992	93⅞	9.68
R. J. Reynolds 7½ 1982	99⅛	7.70
Sandvik 9½ 1986	100⅛	9.45
Statsforetag 7½ 1982	97⅞	8.37
Sundstrand 8½ 1987	98	9.07
Sweden 7½ 1982	98⅛	7.98
Sweden 8½ 1987	96⅞	8.80
Tauernautobahn 8½ 1987	97⅞	8.60
Walter Kidde 8½ 1983	97⅞	8.92

FLOATING RATE NOTES

	Offer Price	Rdptn Yld
Andelsbanken 7 11-16 1984	97⅛	8.43
CCF 6½ 1983	99⅞	6.53
IBJ 7 11-16 1982	99⅞	7.70
LTCB 6½ 1983	99⅞	6.53
OKB 6½ 1983	100⅛	6.47
Soc Gen 7 9-16 1983	99⅞	7.73

CANADIAN DOLLARS

	Offer Price	Rdptn Yld
Avco 9½ 1982	99⅛	9.71

	Offer price	Redptn yld
BM-Rt 8½ 1982	98⅞	9.24
Ford 8½ 1984	98⅞	8.86
British Columbia MFA 9 1987	99⅞	9.08
Rank 9½ 1982	100⅛	9.42
Walter Heller 9½ 1983	99⅞	9.68

DEUTSCHE MARKS

	Offer price	Redptn yld
CFP 6½ 1.7.84	104⅛	5.70
ICI 6½ 1.5.87	106	5.90
New Zealand 6½ 1.5.84	106	5.11
Phyrn 6½ 1.9.84	102⅛	5.96
Quebec Hydro 6½ 16.8.87	103⅛	6.15

US $ CONVERTIBLES

	Offer price	Premium
American Express 4½ 1987	85	45.95
Beatrice Foods 4½ 1992	96	18.81
Beatrice Foods 6½ 1991	109	10.30
Beecham 6½ 1992	95⅞	-3.36
Borden 6½ 1991	109	6.33
Carnation 4 1988	79⅞	43.21
Chevron 5 1988	123	-0.09
Eastman Kodak 4½ 1988	84	76.26
Fairchild Camera 5½ 1991	83⅞	42.03
Ford 5 1988	84⅞	8.05
Ford 6 1986	95	9.82
General Electric 4½ 1987	82	38.67
Gillette 4½ 1987	78⅞	51.98
Gould 5 1987	115⅞	0.30
Gulf & Western 5 1988	80⅞	35.32
Honeywell 6 1986	88	138.64
ICI 6½ 1992	87⅞	+3.67
INA 6 1997	93⅞	24.71
Inchcape 6½ 1992	104	+0.001
ITT 4½ 1987	77	55.00
J. Ray McDermott 4½ 1987	156⅞	-0.14
Mitsui Real Estate 6 1992	115⅞	-5.49
J. P. Morgan 4½ 1987	96⅞	26.55
Nabisco 5½ 1988	103⅞	1.05
J. C. Penney 4½ 1987	77⅞	87.54
Revlon 4½ 1987	108	4.59
Reynolds Metals 5 1988	86	32.74
Sperry Rand 4½ 1988	84⅞	28.46
Squibb 4½ 1987	80	80.58
Sumitomo Electric 6 1992	125	-1.47
Texaco 4½ 1988	78⅞	32.53
Union Bank of Switz 4½ 1987	146	-1.10
Warner Lambert 4½ 1987	82	40.87
Xerox Corp 5 1988	79⅞	151.80

Source: Kidder Peabody Securities Limited.

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...readneedle Street London EC2R 8HP Tel: 01-638 8651
The Over-the-Counter Market

Company	Price last Friday	Change on week	Gross Div (p)	Yld %	P/E
...irsprung Ord	42	—	4.2	10.1	7.8
...irsprung 18½% CULS	139	—	18.4	13.0	—
...rmitage & Rhodes	38	—	3.3	8.7	16.2
...ardon Hill	147	—	12.0	8.2	10.1
...eborah Ord	108	+3	5.1	4.7	8.7
...eborah 17½% CULS	215	—	17.5	18.1	—
...rederick Parker	136	—	11.5	8.5	6.6
...ackson Group	49	-2	5.0	10.2	5.8
...ames Burrough	108	-3	6.0	6.0	9.9
...obert Jenkins	320	—	27.0	8.4	5.4
...winlock Ord	16½	—	—	—	—
...winlock 12% ULS	82	—	12.0	14.6	—
...nilock Holdings	79	—	7.0	8.9	9.8
...alter Alexander	90	—	6.4	7.1	6.6

Astra's Pharmaceutical sales rise 16 pc

Though the growth rate of the Swedish pharmaceutical market increased slightly last year it continued to show relatively weak growth in volume says the Astra Group in its report for last year.

Sales of Astra's pharmaceuticals division rose 16 per cent which was higher than expected and sales in Sweden kept pace with the market's growth.

Total group earnings amounted to $25m, a rise of 12 per cent, but lower than forecast last year. It is estimated that $1m of this came from currency exchange gains.

But unlike earnings total sales were better than forecast, rising 1·8 per cent to $376m. Here the impact of currency gains was around $11m.

Taken by division pharmaceutical sales rose 16 per cent to $273m, chemical products were 14 per cent ahead at $65m and other items accounted for $38m, a gain of 32 per cent excluding an operation acquired during the year.

Pharmaceutical sales outside Sweden rose 20 per cent with particular growth in Australia, Brazil, Mexico, Great Britain and West Germany.

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...120th ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the ...TER SHIP CANAL COMPANY will be held in the ...FREE TRADE HALL, PETER STREET, MANCHESTER ...AY, the 28th day of FEBRUARY 1978 at noon for the ...of the Ordinary business of the Company.

...this 13th day of February 1978.

D. K. REDFORD, Chairman
R. A. H. COLLINGE, Secretary

...l House, King Street, ...er M2 4WX.

Unit Trust Prices—change on the week

FT Index change on week 471.0+12.3 (2.7%)

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Authorized Unit Trusts

Abbey Unit Trust Managers.
72-80 Gatehouse Rd, Aylesbury, Bucks. 0296-5941
32.5 +0.8 Abbey Capital 31.2 33.3 3.96
45.1 +1.1 Abbey General 41.4 44.2e 3.96
38.5 +0.7 Do Income 36.8 39.2 5.58
33.6 .. Do Invest 31.6 33.6 4.29

Alben Trust Managers Ltd.
Durrant Hse, Chiswell St, E.C.1 YTT 01-588 6371
78.4 -1.2 Alben Trust (3) 69.0 74.2e 4.21
67.4 -1.6 Do Inc (3) 61.2 65.5e 6.32

Allied Hambro Group.
Hambro Hse, Hutton, Essex. 01-588 2851
71.2 +1.4 Allied Capital 69.0 72.6 4.32
64.1 +1.3 Do 1st 63.1 67.4 5.40
62.0 +1.6 Brit Ind Fnd 61.2 65.2 5.42
37.2 +0.8 Growth & Inc 35.6 38.0e 5.32
32.6 -0.7 Elec & Ind Dev 31.2 33.3 5.10
38.9 +0.4 Met Min&Cmdty 36.8 39.3 5.82
63.5 +1.0 High Income 60.4 64.5 6.07
38.4 +0.7 Equity Income 35.6 39.1e 7.03
23.4 -0.4 International 22.1 23.8e 2.41
70.5 -1.8 HighYieldFnd 64.3 68.7e 8.29
104.0 +2.5 Hambro Fnd 99.7 106.5 5.35
98.8 +1.0 Do Recovery 85.0 90.8 4.85
33.3 +0.1 Do Smaller 32.2 34.4e 6.06
117.9 +3.1 Do Accum 113.1 121.0 4.31
42.9 -0.1 2nd Smaller 40.1 42.8 5.35
47.1 +0.4 Secs of America 44.5 47.5e 3.15
32.6 +0.8 Pacific Fnd 31.0 33.1e 3.02
52.8 +1.3 Overseas Fnd 50.1 54.1e 5.17
212.4 +0.1 Exempt Smaller 201.9 212.5 5.64

Arbuthnot Securities Ltd.
37 Queen St, London, EC4R 1BY. 01-236 5281
121.1 -1.4 Extra Income 110.7 119.7e 10.43
43.8 -0.2 High Income 40.3 43.6e 9.04
59.0 -0.4 Do Accum 54.2 58.8e 9.04
59.0 -0.4 8½% W'draw 54.2 58.6e 9.04
27.7 .. Pref Fund 25.7 27.7e 12.01
41.3 -0.2 Do Accum (1) 38.1 41.0e 12.00
19.4 -1.3 Capital Fund 16.8 18.1 ..
35.1 .. Commodity (5) 31.1 35.1 5.11
77.8 .. Do Accum (5) 72.1 77.8 5.11
49.8 .. 10% W'draw (5) 46.1 49.8 5.11
18.5 -0.4 Arb Fin & Prop 16.7 18.1 3.21
39.7 +0.4 Giants Fund 37.2 40.1e 3.27
45.9 +0.4 Do Accum 42.9 46.3e 3.27
34.0 -0.8 Growth Fund 30.8 33.2e 3.49
40.0 -0.8 Do Accum 36.3 39.2e 3.49
21.7 .. E & Int Fund 20.1 21.7 1.67
17.7 .. 6% Wdraw (2) 16.4 17.7 1.67
26.4 .. N Amer Int (4) 24.4 26.4 1.00

Barclays Unicorn Ltd.
252 6 Romford Road, London, E7. 01-534 5544
30.7 +0.2 Unicorn Amer 28.7 30.9 2.67
47.1 +0.5 Aust Income 43.8 47.6e 2.45
59.5 +0.6 Do Accum 55.3 60.1 2.45
66.0 +0.1 Unicorn Capital 61.5 66.1e 4.61
107.7 +1.9 Exempt 103.2 109.8 6.00
29.5 +0.4 Extra Income 27.8 29.9 8.02
61.2 .. Financial 56.8 61.2 5.29
73.2 +0 p Unicorn '500' 68.5 74.1 5.97
31.2 +0.5 General 29.5 31.7 6.27
40.6 +0.3 Growth Accum 38.4 41.5 4.29
81.1 +1.5 Income 78.8 84.6e 6.37
41.7 +0.5 Recovery 39.0 42.2 5.65
113.6 +2.3 Trustee 108.9 115.9e 5.11
47.3 +0.5 Worldwide 44.4 47.7e 1.99
81.0 +1.5 B'tst Inv Fnd 80.0 82.5 4.86
68.5 +1.7 Do Accum 67.4 70.2 4.86

Bridge Fund Managers Ltd.
5-8 Mincing Lane, EC3. 01-623 4951
52.0 -1.8 Bridge Income 46.1 50.2 6.91
33.5 -0.2 Do Cap Inc (2) 31.3 33.3 3.44
36.4 -0.1 Do Cap Acc (2) 34.1 36.3 3.44
137.0 -3.0 Do Exempt (2) 125.0 134.0e 6.00
14.1 +0.1 Do Int Inc (3) 13.3 14.2 4.34
15.3 +0.1 Do Int Acc 14.4 15.4 4.34

Britannia Trust Management Ltd.
3 Ldn Wall Bldgs. EC2M 5QL. 01-638 0478/9
70.0 +1.0 Assets 66.0 71.0 5.04
66.0 +1.3 Financial Secs 62.6 67.3e 4.35
50.4 +0.7 Capital Accum 47.5 51.1e 4.24
54.7 +1.3 Comm & Ind 52.1 56.0e 4.27
72.8 +0.2 Commodity 67.9 73.0 5.82
38.5 +0.5 Domestic 36.6 39.3 3.94
99.7 +0.7 Exempt 95.4 100.4 7.90
40.0 +0.4 Extra Income 37.5 40.4e 9.65
15.0 .. Far East Fnd 15.5 16.0 4.89
32.3 +0.3 Universal Engy 30.3 32.6e 2.93
54.7 -0.1 Int Growth 50.8 54.6 3.47
101.7 -1.7 Gold & General 93.0 100.0 2.83
79.5 +1.3 Growth 75.2 80.8e 4.27
74.4 +1.0 Income & Grwth 70.1 75.4 7.11
42.9 +0.4 Inv Tst Shares 40.3 43.3e 3.62
40.2 -1.6 Minerals Tst 35.9 38.6 3.09
78.5 +0.9 Nat High Inc 73.9 79.4 8.62
36.4 +0.4 New Issue 33.9 36.5e 4.50
29.8 .. North American 26.8 28.8e 1.98
466.3 +11.1 Professional 465.0 479.4e 3.57
14.8 +0.3 Property Shares 13.9 14.9 2.32
45.9 +1.0 Shield 43.7 46.9 4.07
30.3 +0.4 Status Change 28.4 30.6 4.70

The British Life.
Reliance Hse, Mt Ephraim, Tun Wells. 0892 22271
49.2 +0.8 British Life 47.3 50.0 5.68
45.4 -0.6 Balanced (2) 42.8 45.8 5.58
47.0 -1.0 Dividend (2) 43.0 46.0 8.84

Brown Shipley Unit Fund Managers.
Founder's Court, Lothbury, EC2. 01-600 8520
120.2 .. Brn Ship Ex (1) 114.2 120.2e 4.00
224.8 -7.2 Do Income (1) 202.4 217.6 4.65
276.1 -7.9 Do Accum (1) 249.4 268.2 4.65
35.3 +0.4 Oceanic Fin 33.7 35.7 4.40
18.3 +0.4 Do General 17.5 18.6 4.36
45.0 +0.8 Do Grwth Acc 43.2 45.8 5.12
36.3 +0.8 Do Grwth Inc 34.8 36.9 5.12
31.9 +0.3 Do High Inc 29.6 32.2 9.05
19.2 +0.3 Do Invest 18.4 19.5 3.66
17.2 +0.1 Do Overseas 16.1 17.3e 3.52
57.4 +0.1 Do Perfor 53.2 57.5 3.07
24.8 +0.7 Do Index 23.4 25.2e 3.31
22.3 +0.1 Do Recovery 21.1 22.8 5.73

Canada Life Unit Trust Managers.
2-6 High St, Potters Bar, Herts. P Bar 51122
36.4 +0.7 Canlife Gen 35.2 37.1e 4.38
44.1 +0.9 Do Accum 42.8 45.0 4.38
35.4 -0.5 Income Dist 33.2 34.9 7.38
45.1 -0.6 Do Accum 42.3 44.5 7.38

Capel (James) Management Ltd.
100 Old Broad St, EC2N 1BQ. 01-588 6010
84.5 .. Capital Fnd (22) 79.4 84.5 4.09
78.5 .. Income Fnd (22) 73.7 78.5 7.37

Carliol Unit Fund Managers Ltd.
Milburn Hse, Newcastle-upon-Tyne. 0632 21165
84.6 .. Carliol (3) 82.1 84.6 4.77
78.4 .. Do Accum 73.9 76.4 4.77
43.3 .. Do High Yld 40.8 43.3 8.05
52.0 .. Do Accum 49.5 52.0 8.05

Charities Charities Narrower-Range Fund.
15 Moorgate, London, EC2. 01-638 4121
123.2 .. Income (34) .. 123.2 10.22
151.1 .. Do Accum (34) .. 151.1 10.22

Charities Official Investment Fund.
77 London Wall, London, EC2. 01-588 1815
129.6 .. Inc* (24) .. 129.5 6.63
237.8 .. Accum* (24) .. 237.8 ..

Charterhouse Japhet Unit Management Ltd.
1 Paternoster Row, London, EC4. 01-248 3999
21.8 .. Int (3) 20.4 21.8 3.77
26.2 .. Accum (3) 24.6 26.2 3.77
37.8 -1.8 Inc (3) 33.8 36.0 8.05
26.4 +0.6 Euro Fin (3) 24.4 26.0 3.74
27.0 -0.2 Fund Inv (3) 25.0 26.8 3.88

Chieftain Trust Managers Ltd.
30-31 Queen St, London, EC4R 1BR. 01-248 2932
21.1 +0.1 American Fnd 19.7 21.2e 2.89
25.6 .. Basic Resources 24.0 25.8 4.81
23.3 -0.1 High Income 21.7 23.3 9.40
23.5 +0.2 International 22.0 23.7 3.44

Crescent Unit Trust Managers Ltd.
4 Melville Crescent, Edinburgh. 031-226 4931
27.5 +0.7 Growth Fnd 26.3 28.2 4.26
49.5 +0.4 International 46.5 49.9 0.50
40.4 +0.9 Reserves Fnd 38.5 41.3e 4.54
45.9 -0.5 High Dist 42.2 45.4 8.00

Equitas Securities Ltd.
41 Bishopsgate, London, EC2. 01-588 2851
63.9 +0.7 Progressive 61.2 64.8 4.41

Equity & Law Unit Trust Managers Ltd.
Amersham Rd, H Wycombe, Bucks. 0494 32815
63.6 +1.7 Equity & Law 63.1 65.3 4.36

Framlington Unit Trust Management Ltd.
Framlington Hse, 5-7 Ireland Yd, EC4. 01-248 6971
113.2 .. Capital 106.6 113.2 3.94
109.3 +0.4 Income 97.4 103.6 6.27
98.0 +1.6 Int Growth 93.8 99.8 2.57
100.2 +1.6 Do Accum 95.8 101.8 2.57

Friends Provident Unit Trust Managers Ltd.
Pixham End, Dorking, Surrey. 0306-5055
41.9 +1.0 Friends Prov 40.2 42.9 4.49
53.3 +1.3 Do Accum 51.1 54.8 4.49

Funds in Court.
Public Trustee, Kingsway, WC2. 01-405 4300
93.5 .. Capital* 91.3 93.6 4.79
77.6 .. Gross Income* 75.4 77.6 8.26
88.0 .. High Yield* 86.0 88.0 8.02

G and A Unit Trust Managers Ltd.
5 Rayleigh Rd, Hutton, Essex. 0277 227300
31.5 +0.8 G & A 30.5 32.6 4.75

G.T. Unit Managers Ltd.
16 Finsbury Circus, EC2M 7DD. 01-628 8131
82.0 +3.1 GT Cap 80.0 85.1e 3.60
98.0 +3.1 Do Accum 96.2 102.3 3.60
165.8 +2.6 Do Income 161.2 171.4 7.80
138.7 +2.2 Do US Gen Fnd 132.5 140.9 2.30
235.6 +3.0 Do Japan Gen 226.1 238.6 1.10
135.5 +2.0 Do Pension Ex 131.0 137.5e 4.10
58.7 -3.2 Four Yards Fnd 52.2 55.8 7.40
117.0 +0.6 International 105.8 112.6 2.30

Gartmore Fund Managers.
2 St Mary Axe, EC3A 8BP. 01-283 3531
24.2 +0.2 American Tst ‡ 22.6 24.4e 0.95
53.0 +0.3 British Tst 49.6 53.3 3.41
140.3 .. Commodity 130.4 140.3 3.71
25.9 .. Far Eastern ‡ 24.1 25.9 1.13
59.4 +0.1 High Income 55.3 59.5e 8.85
71.6 +0.4 Income 66.9 71.9e 6.59
12.84 +0.22 Ins Agencies £ 12.21 13.06e 3.81
27.6 +0.5 International ‡ 26.1 28.1 1.38
87.5 +1.8 Int Exempt 82.1 89.3 5.57

Grieveson Management Co Ltd.
59 Gresham St, EC2P 2DS. 01-606 4433
202.6 -3.9 Barrington Fnd 190.1 198.7e 4.47
219.6 -4.3 Do Accum 206.0 215.3 4.47
180.3 -3.1 High Yield 169.2 177.2 7.65
202.4 -3.4 Do Accum 190.0 199.0 7.05
162.3 +2.1 Endeavour 157.3 164.4 1.48
167.6 +2.3 Do Accum 162.5 169.9 1.48
80.8 +0.6 Grantchester (5) 77.8 82.4 2.43
83.3 +0.6 Do Accum 80.2 83.9e 2.43
70.9 .. Ldn & Brussels 67.9 70.9 1.40
73.4 +0.3 Do Accum 70.7 73.7 1.01

Guardian Royal Exchange Unit Man Ltd.
Royal Exchange, London, EC3. 01-681 1031
85.6 +2.0 Guardhill 84.6 87.6 4.39

Henderson Administration.
5 Rayleigh Rd, Hutton, Essex. 0277 227300
11 Austin Friars, London, EC2N 2ED
28.9 +0.4 Aust Trst 27.4 29.3 1.94
73.0 +1.1 Cabot 69.6 74.1 3.40
56.1 -0.1 Do Extra Inc. 53.2 56.0e 8.43
42.2 +0.2 Cap Growth Inc 39.4 42.4 3.79
42.3 +0.2 Do Accum 39.4 42.4 3.79
33.3 +1.2 European 32.4 34.5 2.19
62.4 +0.7 Far East Trst 58.7 63.1e 2.57
25.3 +0.1 Financial ITU 23.6 25.4 3.61
105.4 +2.1 Henderson Gr* 103.2 107.5 2.14
59.8 +0.1 High Income 56.0 59.8e 5.07
32.4 +0.6 Inc & Assets 31.0 33.0 5.94
26.4 +0.4 International 25.2 26.8 2.22
34.5 +0.2 Nth American 32.3 34.7e 1.23
25.1 +0.1 Oil & Nat Res 23.7 25.2e 2.56
77.7 +0.6 World Wide 73.2 78.3 4.08

Hill Samuel Unit Trust Managers Ltd.
45 Beech St, EC2 P2OX. 01-628 8011
69.0 +1.3 Dollar 65.7 70.3 2.19
34.4 +0.4 International 32.5 34.8e 3.28
151.8 +8.6 British Tst 148.1 158.4 5.22
151.8 +8.6 Do Guernsey 148.3 158.4 3.44
29.5 +0.8 Capital 28.3 30.3e 4.35
93.5 +0.9 Financial Tst 88.3 94.4 4.80
27.7 +0.3 Income Tst 26.1 28.0 7.62
30.1 +0.3 High Yield 28.4 30.4e 8.14
52.9 +0.8 Security Tst 50.2 53.7 5.13

Key Fund Managers.
25 Milk St, EC2V 8JE. 01-606 7070
67.4 +0.6 Equity & Gen. 64.0 68.0 5.04
73.2 +0.3 Energy Ind Fnd 69.1 73.5e 3.99
149.4 .. Exempt Fnd (36) 140.4 149.4e 6.50
81.3 +0.8 Inc Fnd 77.4 82.2 8.16
65.4 +0.3 Key Fixed Int 61.8 65.7 11.93
90.4 -0.5 Smaller Co Fnd 84.6 89.9 6.66

Kleinwort Benson Unit Managers.
20 Fenchurch Street EC3 01-623 8000
90.3 -3.3 KB Unit Fd Inc 80.3 87.0e 4.57
110.6 -2.1 KB Unit Fd Acc 100.2 108.5 4.57

Lawson Securities.
63 George Street, Edinburgh. 031-226 3911
21.6 +0.3 American Fnd 20.3 21.9 0.26
22.4 +0.4 Do Accum 21.1 22.8 0.26
37.4 -1.0 Gilt&Warrant 32.7 34.4 1.98
52.7 -0.6 High Yield Fnd 47.9 52.1e 10.59
72.6 -0.8 Do Accum 66.0 71.8e 10.59
38.4 -0.2 Raw Materials 35.1 38.2 7.33
41.8 -0.2 Do Accum 38.1 41.4 7.33
39.3 -1.0 Growth 35.8 38.3 3.11
64.6 -1.3 Do Accum 58.4 63.5 3.11

Legal & General Tyndall Fund.
18 Canynge Rd, Bristol. 0272 32241
59.4 .. Distribution (40) 56.2 59.4 4.92
73.6 .. Do Accum (40) 69.6 73.6 4.92

Lloyds Bank Unit Trust Managers.
71 Lombard St, London, EC3. 01-623 1288
50.6 +0.7 1st Balanced 47.8 51.3 4.45
68.3 +1.1 Do Accum 64.3 69.2 4.45
49.1 +0.7 2nd Capital 46.4 49.8 3.52
61.0 +1.0 Do Accum 57.7 62.0 3.52
82.9 +1.1 3rd Income 78.2 84.0 6.21
111.2 +1.6 Do Accum 105.0 112.8 6.21
61.3 +0.2 4th Extra Inc 57.2 61.5 7.70
66.0 +0.2 Do Accum 63.3 68.3 7.70

Local Authorities Mutual Investment Trust.
77 London Wall, EC2N 1DB. 01-588 1815
86.7 -2.4 Narrower Rnge* .. 86.3 10.97
183.5 -8.8 Wider Range* .. 176.7 5.44
102.0 -0.2 Property* .. 101.8 7.51

M & G Securities.
Three Quays, Tower Hill, EC3R 6BQ. 01-626 4588
41.3 +0.4 Amer & Gen Inc 39.2 41.7e 0.98
42.3 +0.7 Australasian Inc 40.8 43.5 2.32
65.9 -0.2 Commod & Gen 61.1 65.7e 5.04
71.0 -0.3 Do Accum 65.8 70.7 5.06
101.5 +0.7 Compound 95.1 102.2 4.05
30.6 +0.5 Conversion Tst 47.8 51.1 4.16
145.5 -6.5 Charifund* (?) 139.9 139.0e 7.65
173.8 -4.8 Do Accum (2) 166.5 169.0 7.65
117.4 +0.1 Div Fnd 110.3 117.8e 8.09
217.6 +0.3 Do Accum 204.4 217.9 8.09
48.4 +0.3 Euro & Gen Inc 45.5 48.6 2.61
87.0 -0.9 Extra Yield 80.8 86.1e 8.45
113.2 -1.2 Do Accum 105.2 112.0 8.45

40.7 +0.5 Far East Inc 38.0 41.2 3.25
44.2 +0.6 Do Accum 41.3 44.8 3.25
60.0 -0.9 FITS 55.0 59.1e 4.89
72.0 -1.1 Do Accum 66.0 70.9 4.89
164.1 +0.7 General Tst 153.3 164.5e 6.03
260.6 +1.2 Do Accum 244.1 261.7 6.03
103.0 -1.0 High Income 95.9 102.0e 8.71
167.6 -1.8 Do Accum 155.9 166.0 8.71
128.8 +3.0 Japan & Gen Inc 122.2 131.6 1.26
168.5 -1.3 Magnum Fnd 174.1 189.2e 4.53
235.0 +1.5 Do Accum 222.1 236.5 4.53
165.0 -1.4 Mid & Gen 153.6 163.6e 7.02
267.4 -2.3 Do Accum 248.5 265.1 7.02
33.3 -2.5 NAACIF .. 30.8e 9.13
123.5 -5.5 Do Accum .. 119.0 9.13
130.8 -3.2 Pension* (1) 120.2 126.8 6.01
61.5 -2.0 Recovery Inc 56.6 59.5e 4.19
73.4 -2.0 Do Accum 65.8 69.4 4.19
158.0 +0.2 Second Gen 154.5 166.2e 5.26
248.0 +0.2 Do Accum 230.8 248.2 5.26
156.8 -1.6 Special Trst 145.7 155.2 4.26
194.2 -1.9 Do Accum 180.6 192.5 4.26
144.8 +1.1 Trustee Fnd 134.3 145.9 6.38
273.6 +2.2 Do Accum 261.4 273.8 6.55

Midland Bank Group Unit Trust Managers Ltd.
Courtwood Hse, Sheffield, S13 RD. 0742-79842
27.5 +0.2 Capital 24.0 25.7e 3.21
27.5 +0.2 Do Accum 25.9 27.7 3.91
59.3 +0.5 Commodity 55.0 59.8 6.12
67.5 +0.5 Do Accum 63.1 67.9 6.12
34.5 +0.7 Growth 32.5 35.2 3.52
36.8 +0.6 Do Accum 34.5 37.2 3.52
62.9 -0.1 High Yield 58.9 62.8 8.57
65.0 -0.1 Do Accum 60.9 64.3 8.57
50.3 +0.5 Income 47.5 50.9e 6.43
57.2 +0.5 Do Accum 54.1 57.9 6.43
41.8 +0.6 International 39.3 42.4 3.02
44.3 +0.5 Do Accum 41.4 44.8 3.02
109.1 .. Exempt Equity 103.4 109.1 5.26
108.0 .. Do Accum 102.4 108.0 5.45

National & Commercial.
31 St Andrew Square, Edinburgh. 031-556 9151
148.0 .. Income 142.8 148.0 6.02
198.2 .. Do Accum 192.0 199.2 6.02
125.8 .. Capital 121.4 125.8 3.36
152.2 .. Do Accum 146.8 152.2 3.36

National Provident Inv Managers Ltd.
48 Gracechurch Street, EC3. 01-623 4200
56.6 .. NPI Accum (15) 53.3 56.8 3.75
47.3 .. Do Dist (15) 44.4 47.3 3.75
124.7 .. Do O'seas Acc 117.8 124.7 3.20
117.9 .. Do O'seas Dis 111.4 117.9 3.20

National Westminster Unit Trust Managers.
41 Lothbury, London, EC2P 2BP. 01-607 6044
86.3 +1.0 Growth* 81.2 87.3e 4.97
161 Cheapside EC2V 6EU 01-606 6060
60.7 +1.4 Capital 57.8 62.1 4.74
67.7 +1.4 Extra Income 65.2 70.1 7.26
36.3 +0.8 Income 35.0 37.5 6.46
34.0 +0.7 Financial 32.3 34.7e 5.27
70.0 +1.7 Portfolio 67.1 71.7 4.84
50.0 +0.8 Universal Fund 47.2 50.8 3.00

N.E.L. Trust Managers Ltd.
Milton Court, Dorking, Surrey. 0306 5911
61.5 +1.3 Nelstar 58.7 62.8 5.45
51.3 .. Do High Inc 48.8 51.3 9.00

Norwich Union Insurance Group.
PO Box 4, Norwich, NR1 3NG. 0603 22200
347.3 +3.9 Group Tst Fnd 333.6 351.2 5.02

For Oceanic Group see Brown Shipley.

Pearl Unit Trust Managers Ltd.
252 High Holborn, WC1V 7EB. 01-405 8441
23.6 +0.3 Growth 22.4 24.1 6.00
27.3 +0.4 Do Accum 25.7 27.7 6.00
32.4 +0.6 Income 30.6 33.0 6.92
35.4 +0.5 Trust 33.3 35.9 5.11
45.0 +0.7 Do Accum 42.5 45.7 5.11

Pelican Unit Administration.
81 Fountain Street, Manchester. 061-236 5685
83.0 +1.8 Pelican 78.6 84.5 5.12

Perpetual Unit Trust Management.
48 Hart St, Henly on Thames. 04912 6868
40.2 .. Perpetual Grth 37.7 40.2e 3.95

Practical Investment Co Ltd.
44 Bloomsbury Square, WC1. 01-623 8893
144.8 -3.0 Practical Inc 133.4 141.8 4.37
202.2 -4.1 Do Accum (3) 186.4 198.1 4.37

Provincial Life Investment Co Ltd.
222 Bishopsgate, EC2. 01-247 6533
73.6 +1.8 Prolific 72.1 77.2 3.59
110.2 +1.3 Do High Inc 104.1 111.5 7.77

Prudential Unit Trust Managers.
Holborn Bars, London, EC1N 2NH. 01-405 9222
124.0 +2.5 Prudential 119.0 126.5 4.45

Reliance Unit Managers Ltd.
Reliance Hse, Mt Ephraim, Tun Wells. 0892 22271
42.2 +0.2 Sekforde Tst 39.6 42.4 5.48
42.6 +0.1 Do Accum 39.9 42.7 5.48
62.6 -0.6 Opp Accum (2) 58.0 62.0 5.54

Rothschild Asset Management Ltd.
72-80 Gatehouse Rd, Aylesbury, Bucks. 0296 5941
99.4 +0.8 Energy Resrces 94.2 100.2 2.89
161.0 +2.0 Equity 154.0 163.0 3.25
146.8 +2.0 Income Fund 139.9 148.8 7.27
76.9 +0.4 Int Income 72.7 77.3 1.95
76.9 +0.1 Int Accum 72.4 77.0 1.95
162.5 +1.8 Smaller Co's 144.7 154.6 4.51

Save & Prosper Group.
4 Great St Helen's, EC3P 3EP. 01-588 1717
Dealings to 01-554 8899
Erskine Hse, 68-73 Queen St, Edinburgh. EH2 4NX 031-226 7351

Save & Prosper Securities Ltd.
34.4 +0.6 Capital Units 32.6 35.0 3.79
23.9 .. I.T.U. 22.3 23.9 3.99
60.9 +1.2 *Universal Growth* 57.8 62.1 2.20
54.8 +1.1 High Yield 53.9 57.9 8.70
46.2 +0.4 Income 43.4 46.6 8.20
65.6 +0.8 High Return 61.8 66.4e 8.45
43.5 +1.0 U.K. Equity Fnd 41.4 44.5e 4.84
79.2 +1.3 Europe Growth 74.9 80.5 2.82
82.0 +1.4 Japan Growth 77.6 83.4 1.53
68.5 +0.5 U.S. Growth 64.2 69.0 3.10
69.7 +0.3 Commodity 65.1 70.0 4.80
65.0 +0.1 Energy 61.1 65.7 3.60
67.4 +1.0 Financial Secs 63.7 68.4 2.86
227.5 +3.3 Select Int 218.7 230.8 2.86
53.5 +0.8 Do Income 51.8 54.6 7.68

Scotbits Securities Ltd.
37.9 +0.4 Scotbits 35.7 38.3e 4.03
218.3 -10.7 Scotex 'mpt Grth 198.8 207.6 6.00
178.2 -8.0 Do Yield 162.5 170.2 7.00
56.6 +0.7 Scotshares 53.3 57.3 4.50
51.8 +0.2 Scotyields 49.0 52.0 6.99

Schlesinger Trust Managers, (Trident Funds)
140 South St, Dorking. 0306 86441
19.9 .. Am Ex Fnd 18.9 19.9 2.22
26.7 +0.1 Amer Growth 24.9 26.8 2.63
27.6 -1.2 Ex High Yield 25.1 26.4 8.62
26.1 -1.2 Ex Mart Leader 23.6 24.9 4.65
30.6 .. Extra Income 28.5 30.6e 9.80
43.5 +0.2 Income Fund 40.2 43.7 9.19
33.8 +0.1 10% Withdrwl 30.9 33.6 ..
43.7 +0.3 Int Growth 41.0 44.0e 3.27
24.9 .. Inv Tst Units 23.2 24.9 4.65
28.8 +0.8 Market Leaders 27.5 29.6e 4.55
29.1 +0.1 Nil Yield Fnd 27.2 29.2 0.01
25.7 .. Pref & Gilt Fnd 23.9 25.7 11.85
27.5 +0.5 Prop Shares 26.0 28.0 2.20
25.9 -0.4 Special Sits Tst 25.2 27.1 2.78
21.7 +0.2 UK Acc Units 20.4 21.9e 5.58
20.1 .. Do Dist Units 18.7 20.1 5.53

J. Henry Schroder Wagg & Co Ltd.
120 Cheapside, London, EC2 01-248 3434
96.1 -1.0 Capital (2) 91.8 95.1 2.62
115.5 -1.2 Do Accum 110.3 114.3 2.62
180.7 -5.3 Income (2) 169.3 175.4e 7.24
263.1 -7.8 Do Accum 246.4 255.3 7.24
78.6 +1.7 General (3) 78.6 79.7e 3.34
96.1 +2.1 Do Accum 94.3 98.2 3.34
26.7 -0.1 Europe (25) 25.8 26.6 1.40
31.3 -0.1 Do Accum 29.4 31.3 1.40

Scottish Equitable Fund Managers Ltd.
28 St Andrews Square, Edinburgh. 031-556 9101
51.2 -0.5 Equitable (2) 47.8 50.7 5.40
57.7 -0.6 Do Accum 53.6 57.1 5.40

Stewart Unit Trust Managers Ltd.
45 Charlotte St, Edinburgh. 031-226 3271
57.3 +1.0 American Fnd 54.2 58.1 1.72
136.0 +1.0 Brit Cap Fnd 125.6 137.0 3.85

Sun Alliance Fund Management Ltd.
Sun Alliance Hse, Horsham, Sussex. 0403 64141
211.00 -19.10 Exempt Eq (39) £191.90 200.90 4.87
89.7 +2.3 Family Fund 86.5 92.0 3.88

Target Trust Managers Ltd.
Target Hse, Aylesbury, Bucks. 0296 5941
34.0 .. Commodity 31.6 34.0e 3.51
61.8 -0.3 Financial 56.9 61.5 4.49
37.5 +2.1 Equity 36.8 39.6 5.97
212.7 -5.0 Exempt 200.4 207.7 6.21
282.1 -6.7 Do Accum (3) 265.8 275.4 6.21
29.9 +0.7 Growth 28.5 30.6 4.43
125.9 .. Gilt Fund 120.2 125.9 3.00
24.0 +0.7 International 23.0 24.7 3.04
26.1 +1.0 Do Re-invest 25.1 27.0 3.04
29.8 .. Investment 27.5 29.6 3.76
157.9 -0.8 Professional (3) 149.2 157.1e 4.42
35.5 +0.5 Income 33.4 35.9 7.25
16.0 -0.7 Preference 14.8 15.3 10.75
19.0 +0.6 Coyne Growth 18.2 19.6 4.22

Target Trust Managers (Scotland) Ltd.
19 Atholl Crescent, Edinburgh, 3. 031-229 8621
24.4 +0.1 Eagle 22.7 24.5 1.50
40.6 +0.8 Thistle 38.5 41.4 5.79
65.0 +0.2 Extra Income 60.6 65.2 10.01

TSB Unit Trusts.
21 Chantry Way, Andover, Hants. Andover 62188
44.0 +1.1 General 42.1 45.1e 3.83
55.8 +1.4 Do Accum 53.4 57.2 3.83
60.7 +1.1 Income 58.0 61.8e 7.20
61.9 +1.1 Do Accum 59.2 63.0 7.20
76.0 +1.2 Scottish 72.5 77.2 2.80
80.7 +1.2 Do Accum 76.9 81.9 2.80

Transatlantic & General Securities.
99 New London Rd, Chelmsford. 0245 51651
78.7 -1.9 Barbican (4) 72.6 76.8e 5.81
118.6 -2.9 Do Accum 109.4 115.7 5.81
77.8 -0.4 Buckingham (4) 73.5 77.4 4.33
94.7 -0.5 Do Accum 89.5 94.2 4.33
122.3 +2.3 Colemco 118.3 124.6 5.26
145.3 +2.6 Do Accum 140.5 147.9 5.26
54.7 -0.4 Cumberland Fnd 51.1 54.3 6.75
58.4 -0.4 Do Accum 54.6 58.0 6.75
54.3 -1.4 Glen Fund (2) 49.6 52.9 5.68
68.5 -1.8 Do Accum 62.5 66.6 5.68
48.1 -0.9 Marlborough 44.9 47.2 2.88
54.2 -1.0 Do Accum 50.7 53.2 2.88
48.2 -1.1 Vang Growth (3) 45.6 48.1 3.51
59.9 -1.4 Do Accum 55.5 58.5 3.51
72.2 -2.0 Vang High Yield 66.6 70.2e 7.85
44.1 +0.1 Vang Trustee 42.8 44.8 6.16
45.1 +0.1 Do Accum 43.2 45.3 6.16
60.6 -1.2 Wickmoor 54.2 59.4e 5.32
71.9 -1.4 Do Accum 66.6 70.5 5.32
67.7 +0.6 Do Dividend 64.2 68.3 8.26
71.7 +0.6 Do Div Acc 70.8 73.3 8.26

See also Grieveson Management Co Ltd

Tyndall Managers Ltd.
18 Canynge Rd, Bristol. 0272 32241
100.4 -0.4 Income (3) 95.2 100.6 7.70
178.0 -0.4 Do Accum (3) 168.8 177.4 7.70
121.6 -0.4 Capital (3) 115.4 121.2 4.34
168.8 -0.4 Do Accum (3) 160.0 168.0 4.34
97.6 -0.4 Canynge Fnd (3) 92.4 97.2 5.62
120.0 -0.6 Do Accum (3) 113.6 119.4 5.62
118.8 .. Exempt (40) 110.2 115.8 7.43
158.6 .. Do Accum (40) 152.0 158.6 7.43
238.0 .. Int Earn Fnd (3) 228.6 238.0 5.40
263.4 .. Do Accum (3) 250.8 263.4 5.40
136.6 -0.8 Scot Cap (3) 129.4 136.0 5.10
159.6 -0.8 Do Accum (3) 151.2 158.8 5.10
160.6 .. Scot Inc (3) 152.8 160.6e 9.11

London Wall Group.
80.2 +1.4 Capital Growth 76.3 81.6e 6.11
81.9 +1.5 Do Accum 78.0 83.4 6.11
38.6 .. Extra Income 35.9 38.6 9.73
42.9 .. Do Accum 39.8 42.9 9.73
17.1 +0.3 Fin Priority 16.2 17.4e 4.59
20.7 +0.4 Do Accum 19.7 21.1 4.59
62.8 +0.2 H Inc Priority 58.6 63.0 8.38
27.4 +0.3 International 25.9 27.7 4.80
30.1 +0.2 Special Sits 28.4 30.5 5.09

Unit Trust Account & Management.
5-8 Mincing Lane, EC3M. 01-623 4951
152.0 -6.0 Friars Hse Fnd 136.0 144.0e 4.72
19.7 .. Gt Winchester 18.1 19.7e 7.72
20.3 .. *Do Overseas* 18.6 20.3e 5.38

Insurance Bonds and Funds

Abbey Life Assurance Co. Ltd.
1-3 St. Pauls Churchyard, EC4P 4DX 01-248 9111
35.5 -1.0 Equity Fund (3) 32.7 34.3 ..
29.3 -0.9 Do Accum (3) 27.5 29.0 ..
148.9 +1.1 Prop Fund (27) 139.4 147.1 ..
152.3 +1.2 Do Accum (27) 143.3 151.1 ..
58.9 +0.2 Select Fund (3) 51.4 54.1 ..
134.7 +0.1 Conv Fund 128.0 134.8 ..
125.2 +0.1 Money Fund 119.0 125.3 ..
170.6 +1.3 Pension Prop (27) 163.2 171.9 ..
156.3 -4.8 Do Equity 141.2 151.8 ..
81.8 -0.7 Do Select (3) 77.0 81.1 ..
138.7 +0.3 Do Security 132.0 139.0 ..
174.9 -1.4 Do Managed 164.8 173.5 ..
33.3 -0.9 Equity Series 4 30.7 32.4 ..
125.9 +0.7 Prop Series 4 120.2 126.6 ..
115.1 +0.1 Conv Series 4 109.4 115.2 ..
113.1 +0.1 Money Series 4 107.5 113.2 ..
133.8 -1.3 Man Series 4 125.0 131.6 ..

Albany Life Assurance Co Ltd.
31 Old Burlington Street, W1. 01-437 5962
183.1 -3.4 Equity Fnd Acc 170.8 179.7 ..
145.3 +0.1 Fixed Int Acc 138.3 145.4 ..
119.8 .. Guar Mon Acc 112.6 118.5 ..
101.4 +0.5 Int Man Fnd Acc 96.8 101.9 ..
111.7 .. Prop Fnd Acc 106.2 111.7 ..
164.5 -1.3 Multi Inv Acc 157.0 165.2 ..
214.0 -4.7 Eq Pen Fnd Acc 198.8 209.3 ..
181.7 +0.3 Fixed I Pen Acc 172.9 182.0 ..
132.3 +0.2 Guar M Pen Acc 125.9 132.5 ..
107.2 +0.7 Int Man Pen Fnd 102.5 107.9 ..
126.2 .. Prop Pen Acc 119.0 125.2 ..
202.3 -1.9 Multi I Pen Acc 190.4 200.4 ..

AMEV Life Assurance Ltd.
Alma Hse, Alma Rd, Reigate. Reigate 40101
135.2 .. AMEV Man Bnd 126.4 133.2 ..
112.9 .. Do 'B' 107.2 112.9 ..
108.8 +0.1 Do Money Fnd 103.4 108.9 ..
104.9 .. Flexiplan 99.7 104.9 ..
105.4 .. Man Pen Fnd 100.0 105.4 ..
106.1 .. Man Pen 'B' Fnd 100.7 106.1 ..

Arrow Life Assurance.
30 Uxbridge Rd, London, W12. 01-749 9111
103.3 .. Sel Market Fnd 97.7 103.3 ..
65.1 .. Do Capital 61.8 65.1 ..

Barclays Life Assurance Co.
Unicorn Hse, 252 Romford Rd, E7. 01-534 5544
122.3 -0.8 Barclaybonds 116.3 122.5 ..
111.6 +1.3 Equity 'B' Bond 107.2 112.9 ..
118.0 +1.1 *Gilt Edge 'B' Bnd* 112.6 119.1 ..
103.0 +0.1 Prop 'B' Bond 97.9 103.1 ..
106.2 +0.8 Man 'B' Bond 103.6 109.1 ..

102.3 +0.1 Money 'B' Bond 97.2 102.4 ..
102.9 -1.3 Man Pen Acc 96.8 101.6 ..
101.8 -1.3 Do Initial 96.4 100.5 ..
102.9 -1.3 Gilt E Pen Acc 96.5 101.6 ..
101.6 -1.3 Do Initial 95.2 100.3 ..
102.6 +0.1 Money Pen Acc 97.5 102.7 ..
101.4 .. Do Initial 96.3 101.4 ..

Beehive Life Assurance.
71 Lombard St, London, EC3 P3BS 01-623 1288
129.5 .. Black Horse Bnd .. 129.5 ..

Canada Life Assurance.
2-6 High St, Potters Bar, Herts. P Bar 51122
57.1 .. Equity Growth .. 57.1 ..
116.5 -6.5 Retirement .. 110.0 ..

Cannon Assurance Ltd.
1 Olympic Way, Wembley, HA9 0NB. 01-902 8876
15.92 -0.20 Equity Units £ 16.12 ..
949.0 +1.0 Prop Units 960.0 ..
11.35 +0.14 Eqty Bn Exec £ 10.84 11.39
13.23 +0.02 Prop Bn Exec £ 12.63 13.28
13.29 +0.06 Bal Bn Exec £ 12.60 13.33
115.8 .. Dep Bnd 110.4 115.6
162.0 +2.2 Equity Acc 164.2 ..
11.73 +0.02 Prop Acc £ 11.75 ..
1,569 +3.00 Men Acc 1,514 ..
89.0 +0.6 2nd Equity 87.2 93.0
105.3 +0.6 2nd Prop 98.6 104.3
98.2 +0.2 2nd Man 93.5 98.9
101.1 .. 2nd Dep 95.5 101.1
98.4 -1.0 2nd Gilt 92.0 97.4
92.7 +1.4 2nd Equ Pen Acc 88.9 94.1
105.7 +0.2 2nd Prp Pen Acc 100.1 105.9
100.0 +0.3 2nd Man Pen Acc 94.8 100.3
101.4 +0.1 2nd Dep Pen Acc 95.9 101.5
99.5 -1.3 2nd Gilt Pen Acc 91.9 97.2
39.0 .. L & E SIF 36.5 39.0 ..
27.5 .. L & E SIF 2nd 26.0 27.5 0.01

City of Westminster Assurance Society.
6 Whitehorse Rd, Croydon, CR0 2JA. 01-684 9664
Valuation last working day of month.
121.8 .. 1st Units 116.0 121.8 ..
55.6 .. Prop Units 53.0 55.6 ..

City of Westminster Assurance Co.
6 Whitehorse Rd, Croydon, CR0 2JA. 01-684 9664
Valuation last working day of month.
60.0 .. West Prop Fund 57.0 60.0 ..
173.3 .. Managed Fund 164.6 173.3 ..
57.3 +1.2 Equity Fnd 55.6 58.5 ..
72.5 .. Farmland Fund 68.9 72.5 ..
125.8 .. Money Fund 119.6 125.8 ..
67.6 +0.4 Gilt Fnd 64.6 68.0 ..
178.0 .. P.C.L.A 172.6 178.0 ..

Funds currently closed to new investments.
31.4 .. Speculator .. 31.4 ..
153.0 .. Performance .. 153.0 ..
100.0 .. Guarantee .. 100.0 ..

Commercial Union Group.
St Helen's, 1 Undershaft, EC3. 01-283 7500
51.1 -0.6 Variable An Acc .. 50.5 ..
17.7 -0.3 Do Annuity .. 17.4 ..

Cornhill Insurance.
32 Cornhill, London, EC3. 01-626 5410
Valuation 15th of month.
118.5 .. Capital Fnd 118.5 .. ..
49.0 .. GS Special 49.0 .. ..
174.0 .. Man Grwth (23) 165.9 174.0 ..

Crown Life Fund Insurance Co.
Addiscombe Rd, Croydon. 01-686 4300
154.1 .. Crown Brit Inv .. 154.1 ..

Crusader Insurance.
Bowring Bldgs, Tower Place, EC3. 01-626 8031
Valuation 1st Tuesday of month.
72.9 +0.5 Crusader Prop 64.5 73.4 ..

Drummond Assurance Society.
13 Nottingham Place, London, W1. 01-487 5582
32.3 .. Fund A 30.4 32.3 ..
27.4 .. Fund B 26.0 27.4 ..
33.5 .. Fund C 31.9 33.5 ..
31.1 .. Fund D 29.6 31.1 ..
29.2 .. Fund E 27.7 29.2 ..

Eagle Star Insurance/Midland Assurance
1, Threadneedle St, E C 2 01-588 1212
49.9 +1.3 Eagle/Midland 49.4 51.2 5.38

Equity & Law Life Assurance Society Ltd.
Amersham Rd, High Wycombe. 0494 33377
109.0 +2.3 Equity Fnd 105.8 111.3 ..
107.4 +0.1 Property Fnd 102.2 107.5 ..
115.6 +0.8 Fixed Int Fnd 110.6 116.4 ..
102.7 .. Guar Dep Fnd 97.6 102.7 ..
110.0 +1.0 Mixed Fnd 105.5 111.0 ..

Fidelity Life Assurance Ltd.
Surrey Street, Norwich, NR1 3NG. 0603 693241
28.6 -0.9 Flexible Inv 26.3 27.7 ..
41.3 -0.1 American Grwth 39.1 41.2 ..
59.8 -1.4 Trust of Trusts 55.4 58.4 ..

Grosvenor Life Assurance Co Ltd.
65 Grosvenor St, London W1. 01-493 1484
34.6 .. Managed Fnd 32.8 34.6 ..
107.8 .. Do Capital 102.4 107.8 ..

Guardian Royal Exchange Assurance Group.
Royal Exchange, London, EC3. 01-283 7107
172.8 .. Property Bond 163.9 172.8 ..
177.0 .. Pen Man Bonds 168.2 177.0 ..

Hambro Life Assurance.
7 Old Park Lane, London, W1. 01-499 0031
130.0 +0.1 Fixed Int Fnd 123.8 130.1 ..
172.1 -2.0 Equity 161.5 170.1 ..
138.0 -1.1 Managed Cap 130.0 136.9e ..
169.6 -1.4 Do Accum 159.7 168.2 ..
162.7 +0.4 Property 154.9 163.1 ..
118.6 -1.2 Overseas Fnd 111.5 117.4 ..
124.8 -0.1 Gilt Edged Acc 122.2 128.7 ..
133.0 .. Pen F1 Cap 126.3 133.0 ..
153.0 .. Do Accum 145.3 153.0 ..
207.2 .. Pen Prop Cap 196.8 207.2 ..
263.2 .. Do Accum 250.0 263.2 ..
211.4 .. Pen Man Cap 200.8 211.4 ..
268.4 .. Do Accum 254.9 268.4 ..
134.5 .. Do Gilt Edge 127.7 134.5 ..
139.5 .. Do Accum 132.7 139.5 ..
100.0 .. Pen DAF Cap 100.0 100.0 ..
100.0 .. Pen DAF Accum 100.0 100.0 ..

Hearts of Oak Benefit Society.
Euston Rd, London, NW1. 01-387 5020
37.5 .. Property Bond 35.5 37.5 ..

Hill Samuel Life Assurance Ltd.
NLA Twr, Addiscombe Rd, Croydon. 01-686 4355
149.6 .. Property Units 142.4 149.6 ..
101.5 .. Do Series A 96.4 101.5 ..
160.4 +2.1 Managed Units 154.4 162.5 ..
94.9 +1.2 Do Series A 91.2 96.1 ..
93.8 +1.1 Do Series C 90.1 94.9 ..
124.7 +0.1 Money Units 118.5 124.8 ..
98.9 +2.3 Do Series A 96.0 101.1 ..
98.4 +0.5 Fixed Int Ser A 93.4 98.3 ..
150.2 .. Pens Man Cap 142.6 150.2 ..
156.4 .. Pens Man Acc 148.5 156.4 ..
110.0 .. Pens Gtd Cap 104.5 110.0 ..
114.6 .. Pens Gtd Cap 108.8 114.6 ..

Hodge Life Assurance Co Ltd.
114/116 St Mary St, Cardiff. 42577
70.3 +1.8 Hodge Bonds 68.3 71.9 ..
75.2 +0.9 Takeover 71.0 74.8 ..
25.0 .. Hodge Life Eq 23.7 25.0 ..
25.0 .. Mortgage Fnd 23.7 25.0 ..
25.0 .. Conv High Yld 23.7 25.0 ..
25.0 .. Overseas Fnd 23.7 25.0 ..

Imperial Life Assurance Co of Canada.
Imperial Life Hse, London Rd, Guildford. 71255
74.1 +1.0 Growth Fnd (5) 68.1 74.1 ..
69.6 +0.2 Pension Fnd 64.2 69.8 ..

Unit Linked Portfolio
99.5 -0.2 Man Fund 94.4 99.3 ..
100.0 +0.1 Fixed Int Fd 95.1 100.1 ..
100.1 .. Secure Cap Fd 95.1 100.1 ..
100.0 +0.1 Equity Fund 95.1 100.1 ..

For Individual Life Insurance Co Ltd, see Schroder Life Group.

Irish Life Assurance.
11 Finsbury Sq, London, EC2. 01-628 8253
176.0 .. Prop Modules 167.2 176.0 ..
190.6 .. Do Grwth (31) 181.6 190.6 ..
222.8 .. Managed Fnd 211.6 222.8 ..
70.2 .. Blue Chip Fnd 66.7 70.2 5.20

Langham Life Assurance.
Langham Hse, Holmbrook Dr, NW4. 01-203 5211
146.2 +0.5 Property Bond 139.4 146.7 ..
78.2 +0.3 WISP (SpecMan) 74.8 78.7 ..
67.1 +0.1 Langham A Plan 63.9 67.2 ..

Legal & General (Unit Assurance) Ltd.
Kingswood Hse, Kingswood, Tadworth, Surrey. KT20 6EV Burgh Heath 53456
100.2 +0.1 Cash Initial 95.2 100.3 ..
100.9 +0.1 Do Accum 95.9 101.0 ..
114.7 +3.0 Equity Initial 111.8 117.7 ..
115.8 +3.1 Do Accum 112.8 118.7 ..
119.5 +2.2 Fixed Initial 116.2 122.3 ..
120.4 +2.1 Do Accum 116.3 122.5 ..
117.3 +2.5 Man Initial 113.8 119.8 ..
118.1 +2.6 Do Accum 114.6 120.7 ..
100.1 +0.1 Prop Initial 95.1 100.2 ..
100.6 .. Do Accum 95.7 100.8 ..

Legal and General (Unit Pensions) Ltd.
100.5 .. Ex Cash Init 95.4 100.5 ..
100.8 .. Do Accum 95.7 100.8 ..
104.8 .. Ex Equ Init 99.5 104.8 ..
105.1 .. Do Accum 99.8 105.1 ..
102.5 .. Ex Fix Init 97.3 102.5 ..
102.8 .. Do Accum 97.6 102.8 ..
104.8 .. Ex Man Init 99.5 104.8 ..
105.1 .. Do Accum 99.8 105.1 ..
100.5 .. Ex Prop Init 95.4 100.5 ..
100.8 .. Do Accum 95.6 100.8 ..

Lloyds Life Assurance Ltd.
12 Leadenhall St, EC3M 7LS. 01-623 6621
130.1 -3.6 Mult Grwth Fnd .. 126.5 ..
124.8 -1.0 Opt 5 Equity 117.6 123.8 ..
129.0 .. Do Property 122.5 129.0 ..
167.7 -1.7 Do High Yield 157.7 166.0 ..
148.5 -0.8 Do Managed 140.3 147.7 ..
126.2 .. Do Deposit 119.8 126.2 ..
145.3 .. Pen Dep Fnd 138.0 145.3 ..
278.6 .. Do Equity Fnd 264.3 278.6 ..
202.0 .. Do F1 Fnd 191.9 202.0 ..
212.5 .. Do Man Fnd 201.8 212.5 ..
139.3 .. Do Prop Fnd 132.0 139.3 ..

The London & Manchester Group.
The Leas, Folkestone, Kent. 0303 57333
212.2 -3.1 Capital Grwth .. 209.1 ..
107.3 -1.9 Flexible Fnd .. 105.6 ..
125.8 -3.0 Inv Fnd .. 122.8 ..
80.0 -0.3 Prop Fnd .. 79.7 ..

Manufacturers Life Insurance.
Manulife Hse, Stevenage, Herts. 0438 56101
41.3 +0.9 Manulife (5) 40.2 42.2 ..

Merchant Investors Assurance.
125 High Street, Croydon. 01-686 9171
126.9 +0.1 ConvDepBnd .. 127.0 ..
136.7 +0.1 Do Pension .. 136.8 ..
55.4 +1.4 Equity Bond .. 56.8 ..
157.4 +3.8 Do Pension .. 161.2 ..
101.8 +1.2 Managed Bond .. 103.0 ..
131.3 +1.7 Do Pension .. 133.0 ..
143.7 +1.3 Money Market .. 145.0 ..
164.4 +1.3 Do Pension .. 165.7 ..
145.9 .. Property Bond .. 145.9 ..
150.8 .. Do Pension .. 150.8 ..

M & G Assurance.
Three Quays, Tower Hill, EC3R 6BQ. 01-626 4588
132.6 -1.4 Equity Bond (4) 124.9 131.2 ..
79.4 -0.3 Do Bonus 73.8 77.6 ..
81.4 -1.8 Extra Yld Bond 75.7 79.6 ..
111.5 +0.3 Gilt Fund 106.4 111.8 ..
84.1 +0.7 Int'l Bnd (4) 84.1 88.4 ..
152.3 +1.0 Family Bnd 79/80 148.3 .. ..
106.0 -2.7 Do 1981/86 103.3 .. ..
128.1 -0.4 Managed Bonds 121.5 127.7 ..
50.4 -0.4 Mirror Bonds .. 50.0 ..
200.2 +1.4 Pers Pen (5) .. 201.6 ..
153.4 +0.1 Prop Fnd (4) 148.0 155.5 ..
44.2 .. American Bnd 42.0 44.2 ..
45.1 +1.2 Japan Bnd 44.0 46.3 ..
63.7 -1.6 Recovery Bnd 59.1 62.1 ..

N.E.L. Pensions Ltd.
Milton Court, Dorking, Surrey. 0306 5911
84.2 .. Nelex Eq Cap 80.0 84.2 ..
110.7 +2.4 Do Accum 107.5 113.1 ..
50.0 .. Do G I Cap 47.5 50.0 ..
50.0 .. Do G I Acc 47.5 50.0 ..
65.9 .. Do Money Cap 62.7 65.9 ..
68.5 .. Do Money Acc 65.1 68.5 ..

Norwich Union Insurance Group.
PO Box 4, Norwich, NR1 3NG. 0603 22200
213.5 +1.5 Norwich Man 204.3 215.0 ..
332.6 +3.5 Do Equity 319.3 336.1 ..
127.0 +1.6 Do Property 122.2 128.6 ..
164.8 -0.3 Do Fixed Int 156.4 164.6 ..
107.2 +0.1 Do Deposit 102.0 107.3 ..
205.3 .. Do Units (35) .. 205.3 ..

Pearl Assurance (Unit Funds) Ltd.
252 High Holborn, WC1V 7EB. 01-405 8441
117.0 .. Equity Fnd 111.1 117.0 ..
118.2 .. Managed Fnd 112.2 118.2 ..
121.6 .. Prop Acc Units 121.2 121.6 ..
117.1 .. Prop Dist Units 111.2 117.1 ..

Phoenix Assurance.
4-5 King William St, EC4. 01-626 9876
107.3 +1.2 Wealth Assured 103.0 108.5 ..
70.6 .. Ebor Phx Ass (31) .. 70.6 ..
74.2 .. Ebor Phx Eq (32) 70.7 74.2 ..

Property Equity & Life Ass Co.
119 Crawford St, London, W1. 01-486 0857
169.3 +1.0 R Silk Prop Bnd .. 170.3 ..
72.2 .. Do Bal Ag Bnd .. 72.2 ..
107.3 +3.1 Do Series (2) .. 110.3 ..
75.4 .. Do Managed .. 75.4 ..
69.2 .. Do Equity Bnd .. 69.2 ..
154.0 -2.1 Do Flex Mny .. 151.9 ..

Property Growth Assurance.
Leon Hse, Croydon, CR0 1LU. 01-680 0606
171.8 .. Prop Growth (29) .. 171.8 ..
170.6 .. Do (A) .. 170.6 ..
692.0 .. AG Bond (29) .. 692.0 ..
687.2 .. Do (A) .. 687.2 ..
149.2 .. Abb Nat PG (29) .. 149.2 ..
149.1 .. Do (A) .. 149.1 ..
65.3 +0.2 Investment (29) .. 65.5 ..
65.1 +0.2 Do (A) .. 65.3 ..
162.1 +3.5 Equity Fnd .. 165.6 ..
151.5 +3.5 Do (A) .. 155.0 ..
136.7 +0.2 Money Fnd .. 136.9 ..
135.1 +0.2 Do (A) .. 135.3 ..
109.3 .. Actuarial Fund .. 109.3 ..
125.5 +0.9 Gilt Edged .. 126.4 ..
126.3 -0.5 Do (A) .. 125.8 ..
170.4 .. Ret Annuity (29) .. 170.4 ..
138.5 .. Inmed Ann (33) .. 138.5 ..

Property Growth Pensions & Annuities Ltd.
131.2 .. All-Weather Ac 124.9 131.2 ..
132.0 .. Do Capital 125.4 132.0 ..
138.3 .. Investment Fnd .. 138.3 ..
128.4 .. Pension Fnd .. 128.4 ..
140.9 .. Conv Pen Fnd .. 140.9 ..
129.2 .. Do Pen Cap .. 129.2 ..
145.2 .. Man Pen Fnd .. 145.2 ..
135.0 .. Do Pen Cap .. 135.0 ..
141.1 .. Prop Pen Fnd .. 141.1 ..
130.3 .. Do Pen Cap .. 130.3 ..
127.2 .. Bldg Soc Pen .. 127.2 ..
118.1 .. Do Capital .. 118.1 ..

Prudential Pensions Ltd.
Holborn Bars, EC1N 2NH. 01-405 9222
24.61 .. *Equity* £ 23.67 24.61 ..
19.85 .. Fixed Int £ 19.39 19.85 ..
24.50 .. Property £ 23.33 24.39 ..

Reliance Mutual Insurance Society Ltd.
Tunbridge Wells, Kent. 0892 22271
192.2 .. Rel Prop Bnd .. 192.2 ..

Save & Prosper Group.
4 Great St. Helen's, EC3P 3EP. 01-554 8899
124.2 +0.8 Balanced Bond 118.2 125.1 ..
127.7 -0.1 Gilt Fnd 121.5 127.6 ..
154.4 .. Prop Fnd (30) 145.9 154.4 ..

Schroder Life Group.
Enterprise House, Portsmouth. 0705 27733
211.6 .. Equity Fnd (24) 211.6 .. ..
213.7 -1.1 Equity 2 201.8 212.6 ..
116.6 -0.6 Equity 3 (2) 110.2 116.0 ..
150.1 -2.3 Fixed Int (2) 140.4 147.8 ..
161.0 -2.5 Fixed Int 3 (2) 150.8 158.5 ..
116.8 +0.5 Int. U. T. (2) 111.4 117.3 ..
150.0 +0.1 K & S Gilt (2) 147.1 155.1 ..
130.6 +0.1 K & S Gilt Sec (2) 124.3 130.8 ..
152.2 -0.6 Man (Flex) (2) 137.4 144.6 ..
148.7 -0.1 Managed 3 (2) 141.2 148.6 ..
111.3 +0.1 Money Fnd (2) 105.8 111.4 ..
121.7 +0.1 Money Fnd 3 (2) 115.7 121.8 ..
118.0 +0.1 Deposit Bnd (2) 112.1 118.1 ..
155.5 +0.1 Property Fnd (2) 147.7 155.6 ..
153.0 +0.1 Property 3 (2) 145.5 153.1 ..
117.2 +0.1 B S Pen Cap (2) 116.0 .. ..
126.5 +0.1 B S Pen Acc (2) 126.5 .. ..
199.2 -2.3 Man Pen Cap (2) 187.0 196.9 ..
233.4 -2.5 Man Pen Acc (2) 219.2 230.8 ..

Scottish Widows Fund & Life Assurance.
PO Box 902, Edinburgh, EH16 5BU. 031-655 6000
96.5 +1.6 Inv Policy 93.1 98.1 ..
96.0 +1.7 Do Series (2) 92.8 97.7 ..

Solar Life Assurance Limited.
107 Cheapside, London, EC2 6DU. 01-606 0471
130.0 -1.2 Solar Managed s 124.6 131.2 ..
112.4 .. Do Property s 106.7 112.4 ..
160.1 -3.1 Do Equity s 151.2 159.2 ..
124.2 +0.5 Do Fixed Int s 118.4 124.7 ..
105.0 +0.1 Do Cash s 96.9 106.1 ..
100.0 .. Solar Int s 94.1 100.0 ..
129.8 +1.2 Solar Managed p 124.3 131.0 ..
112.2 .. Do Property p 106.5 112.2 ..
155.9 -3.1 Do Equity p 151.0 159.0 ..
121.0 +0.5 Do Fixed Int p 118.2 124.5 ..
104.9 +0.1 Do Cash p 99.8 105.0 ..
100.0 .. Solar Int p 94.1 100.0 ..

Standard Life Assurance Co.
PO Box 62, 3 George St, Edinburgh. 031-225 7971
108.7 .. Unit Endowm't .. 108.7 ..

Sun Alliance Fund Management Ltd.
Sun Alliance Hse, Horsham, Sussex. 0403 64141
105.50 -4.90 Ex Fix Int (39) £153.90 160.30 ..
10.35 -0.14 Int Bond .. 10.43 ..

Sun Alliance Linked Life Insurance Ltd.
Sun Alliance Hse, Horsham, Sussex. 0403 64141
104.4 +4.2 Equity Fund 103.1 108.6 ..
103.3 +0.1 Fixed Int Fund 100.1 105.4 ..
103.2 +0.1 Property Fund 98.1 103.3 ..
89.1 -0.2 Int Fund 85.1 89.6 ..
100.4 .. Deposit Fund 95.3 100.4 ..
101.8 +1.3 Managed Fund 97.9 103.1 ..

Sun Life of Canada (UK) Ltd.
2-4 Cockspur St, SW1. 01-930 5400
134.0 -2.7 Managed (5) .. 131.3 ..
169.7 -1.3 Growth (5) .. 168.4 ..
122.9 -3.3 Equity (5) .. 119.6 ..
196.4 -2.0 Personal Pen (5) .. 196.4 ..

Target Life Assurance.
Target Hse, Aylesbury, Bucks. 0296 5941
102.5 .. Deposit Inc 97.1 102.8 ..
115.4 +0.1 Fixed Interest 109.1 115.3 ..
118.9 +0.3 Man Fnd Acc 112.7 119.2 ..
100.4 +0.3 Do Income 95.2 100.7 ..
99.0 +3.0 Prop Bnd Inv .. 102.0 ..
109.7 +1.4 Do Income 106.8 113.1 ..
128.0 +3.0 Do Accum .. 131.0 ..
62.1 -0.3 Ret Ann Pen Cap 56.6 61.8 ..
75.1 -0.4 Do Accum 69.4 74.7 ..
125.5 +2.6 Ret Plan Acc 121.1 128.1 ..
117.2 +2.2 Do Do Cap 112.8 119.1 ..
144.7 -5.0 Gilt Pen Acc 131.4 138.6 ..
138.8 +0.0 Gilt Pen Cap 137.1 144.8 ..

Trident Life.
Renslade Hse, Gloucester. 0452 36541
126.8 -0.3 Trident Man 119.4 126.5 ..
150.3 -0.5 Do Guar Man 149.9 158.8 ..
153.8 .. Do Property 145.3 153.8 ..
82.4 +1.4 Do Equity Am 79.1 83.8 ..
107.4 +1.0 Do UK Equity 102.3 108.4 ..
149.9 -1.1 Do High Yield 139.6 147.8 ..
132.40 -0.60 Gilt Edged (4) 124.50 131.80 ..
126.5 .. Do Money 120.3 126.5 ..
95.2 -0.4 Do Int Fund 92.3 97.8 ..
135.0 -0.3 Do Fiscal Fnd 127.2 134.7 ..
37.3 -0.3 Do Bonds 34.7 36.7 ..
100.9 -0.5 Do GI Bonds .. 100.4 ..
134.5 -0.4 Trident Growth 126.6 134.1 ..
137.3 -0.4 Do Accum 129.3 136.9 ..
119.4 .. Pen Man Cap 112.8 119.4 ..
122.6 .. Do Accum 115.8 122.6 ..
106.6 .. Do Guar Dep 100.7 106.6 ..
109.5 .. Do Accum 103.4 109.5 ..
117.8 .. Do Pen Prop 111.2 117.8 ..
121.0 .. Do Accum 114.2 121.0 ..

Tyndall Assurance.
18 Canynge Rd, Bristol. 0272 32241
165.2 .. Bond Fnd (40) .. 165.2 ..
151.6 .. Equity Fnd (40) .. 151.6 ..
100.4 .. Prop Fnd (40) .. 100.4 ..
120.2 .. 3 Way Fnd (40) .. 120.2 ..
61.0 .. O'seas Inv (40) .. 61.0 ..

Vanbrugh Life Assurance Ltd.
41-43 Maddox St, London, W1R 9LA. 01-499 4923
146.3 +1.5 Managed Fnd 140.4 147.8 ..
224.4 +5.3 Equity Fnd 218.2 229.7 ..
180.9 -0.2 Fixed Int Fnd 171.6 180.7 ..
142.8 +0.9 *Property Fnd* 136.5 143.7 ..
122.3 +0.1 Cash Fund 116.2 122.4 ..
89.4 +0.6 Internat'l Fnd 85.5 90.0 ..

Vanbrugh Pensions Limited
100.0 +0.1 Managed Fnd 95.0 100.1 ..
100.0 .. Equity Fnd 95.0 100.0 ..
100.0 .. Fixed Int Fnd 95.0 100.0 ..
100.0 .. Property Fnd 95.0 100.0 ..
6.68 +0.57 Guar Fnd (25) .. 7.25 ..

Welfare Insurance.
The Leas, Folkestone, Kent. 0303 57333
100.5 -1.7 Money Maker .. 98.8 ..

See also "The London & Manchester Group."

Offshore and International Funds

Arbuthnot Securities (CI) Ltd.
PO Box 284, St Helier, Jersey. 0534 72177
126.0 -6.0 Capital Trust 115.0 120.0 3.65
114.0 -3.0 Eastern Int 104.0 111.0 ..

Barbican Managers (Jersey) Ltd.
PO Box 63, St Helier, Jersey. 0534 74806
92.6 -0.9 Europ'n Ster Tst 86.8 91.7 2.38

Barclays Unicorn International (Ch Is) Ltd.
1 Charing Cross, St Helier, Jersey. 0534 73741
52.6 +0.2 Jer Guar O'seas 50.2 52.8e 10.03
10.5 +0.2 Unidollar Tst $ 10.1 10.7 4.60

Barclays Unicorn International (IOM) Ltd.
1 Thomas St, Douglas, IOM. 0624 4856
41.6 +1.0 Unicorn Aus Ext 39.6 42.6e 2.10
24.3 +0.7 Do Aus Min 23.3 25.0 2.40
46.6 +0.1 Do Int Income 39.7 42.7 9.30
50.5 -0.3 Do Isle of Man 47.1 50.2e 8.80
24.2 -0.4 Do Manx Mut 22.1 23.8 2.10
59.6 +0.5 Do Great Pac 55.8 60.1 ..

Britannia Trust Managers (CI) Ltd.
30 Bath St, St Helier, Jersey. 0534 73114
33.2 +0.8 Growth (1) 31.5 34.0e ..
64.6 -0.4 Int'l Fnd (1) 59.6 64.4e ..
149.3 -2.0 Jersey En (1) 138.3 146.3e 1.50
85.4 -3.7 Worldwide (1) 76.2 81.7 1.80
5.36 -0.02 Univ $ Tst (3) 5.07 5.34 ..
231.0 .. Do Stlng (3) 219.0 231.0 1.00

Calvin Bullock Ltd.
60 Bishopsgate, London, EC2. 01-283 5433
7.73 +0.21 Bullock Fnd £ 7.26 7.94e 2.33
457.0 +11.0 Canadian Fnd 432.0 468.0e 2.47
252.0 +8.0 Canadian Inv 240.0 260.0e 2.67
179.0 +8.0 Div Shares 174.0 187.0e 2.55
7.38 +0.30 N.Y. Venture £ 7.50 7.68 1.20

Charterhouse Japhet.
1 Paternoster Row, EC4. 01-248 3999
31.90 -1.60 Adiropa DM 30.60 30.20 5.34
50.20 +0.40 Adiverba DM 48.10 50.60 5.34
33.00 +0.40 Fondak DM 31.70 33.40 3.99
21.20 +0.30 Fondis DM 20.30 21.50 6.05
46.90 +1.88 Hispano $ 44.83 48.78 1.93

Van Cutsem & Associates.
42 Essex St, WC2. 01-353 6845
67.87 -1.14 Pan Am O'seas $ .. 66.73 ..

Cornhill Insurance (Guernsey) Ltd.
PO Box 157, St Julians Ct, St Peters, Guernsey
177.5 .. Int Man Fnd (20) 163.0 177.5 ..

First General Unit Managers.
91 Pembroke Rd, Ballsbridge, Dublin 4. 680069
68.0 -1.2 Bnk I Ist Gen (3) 62.8 66.8e 4.16
161.0 -2.5 Do Gilt (2) 153.5 158.5 8.20

Garmore Investment Management Ltd.
Victory Hse, Prospect Hill, Douglas, IOM. 23911
22.7 -0.3 Int Income (3) 21.0 22.4 11.50
58.1 .. Do Growth (16) 54.6 58.1 5.32

Hambros (Guernsey) Ltd.
PO Box 86, St Peter Port, Guernsey. 0481 26521
145.7 -1.0 Channel Isle 135.9 144.7 3.90

Hill Samuel (CI) Trust Co Ltd.
PO Box 63, St Helier, Jersey. 0534 27381
124.0 -3.5 Channel Isle 114.3 120.5 2.66

Kayanday Bermuda Management Ltd.
Atlas Hse, PO Box 1029, Hamilton 5, Bermuda.
1.99 .. Bishopsgate N A $ 1.88 1.99 ..

Kleinwort Benson Ltd.
20 Fenchurch Street EC3 01-623 8000
1,004 -15.00 Eurinvest Lux F .. 1,019 4.91
61.6 .. Guernsey Inc. 57.8 61.6 4.29
75.1 .. Do Accum 70.4 75.1 4.23
9.41 .. KB Far E $US .. 9.41 1.48
10.53 +0.06 KB Int Fd $US .. 10.59 1.59
25.63 +0.64 KB Jap Fd $US .. 26.27 0.61
10.71 -0.50 KB US Gth $US .. 10.21 ..
4.33 +0.01 Signet Berm $US .. 4.34 1.84

KB act as London Paying agents only

19.30 -0.20 Unifonds (D.M.) 18.60 19.50 8.72

M & G Group.
Three Quays, Tower Hill, EC3R 6BQ. 01-626 4588
115.4 -0.7 Island Fnd † 107.8 114.7 3.81
161.2 -0.9 Do Accum † 150.6 160.3 3.83
2.70 +0.01 Atlantic Exp $ 2.48 2.71 ..
1.97 +0.01 Aust & Gen $ 1.78 1.98 ..

Neptune International Fund Managers.
1 Charing Cross, St Helier, Jersey. 0534 73741
21.4 -0.1 Int Fund (34) 20.5 21.3 5.45

Old Court Commodity Fund Managers Ltd.
PO Box 58, St Julian's Ct, Guernsey. 0481 26741
129.7 .. Old Ct Comm 122.0 129.7 1.75

Old Court Fund Managers Ltd.
PO Box 58, St Julians Ct, Guernsey. 0481 26331
51.1 .. Old Ct Eqty (34) 48.3 51.1 2.65
165.5 .. Income Fund 156.2 165.5 6.59
85.0 .. Do Int (35) 80.2 85.0e ..
149.3 .. Do Small Co's 140.4 149.3 3.23

Oliver Heath & Co.
31 Malew St, Castletown, IOM. 0624 823749
126.2 .. Brit Conv Tst 112.9 126.2e 1.14
90.8 .. Cap Sec'd Res 84.0 90.8 6.33
98.7 .. Manx Ex Fnd 90.9 98.7e 6.75
4 Irish Place, Gibraltar. Telex GK 245
120.0 .. Gib Inv Tst 90.2 120.0 ..
98.0 .. Key City Inv 83.5 98.0 ..
66.2 .. Warrant Fnd 59.4 66.2 ..

Property Growth Overseas.
28 Irish Town, Gibraltar. (Gib) 6106
88.27 .. US Dollar Fnd $ .. 88.27 ..
128.80 .. Sterling Fnd £ .. 128.80 ..

Save & Prosper International.
Dealg, 37 Broad St, St Helier, Jersey. 0534 20591
9.88 +0.03 Dollar Fxd Int $ 9.33 9.91 7.06
6.53 .. Int Growth $ 6.04 6.53 ..
36.21 +0.34 Far Eastern $ 33.07 35.75 ..
3.64 +0.05 N. American $ 3.41 3.69 ..
13.90 +0.10 Sepro $ 12.81 14.00 ..
227.6 +2.1 Channel Cap £ 212.5 223.7e 1.79
149.3 +0.3 Channel Isles £ 142.1 149.6e 4.98
120.0 +0.4 Commodity 114.3 120.4e ..
129.1 -3.2 St Fixed Int 119.2 125.9 11.04

Schroder Life Group.
Enterprise House, Portsmouth. 0705 27733
International Funds
108.1 +0.6 £ Equity 102.2 108.7 ..
119.4 +0.5 $ Equity 112.8 119.9 ..
148.2 +0.3 £ Fixed Int 140.1 149.0 ..
108.4 +0.3 $ Fixed Int 102.0 108.5 ..
128.2 +0.1 £ Managed 121.2 128.9 ..
113.9 +0.3 $ Managed 107.4 114.2 ..

Surinvest (Jersey) Ltd.
PO Box 98, St Helier, Jersey. 0534 73673
6.86 +0.04 Amer Ind Trust 6.78 6.90 1.48
10.04 +0.30 Copper Trust 10.12 10.34 ..
8.72 +0.14 Japan Index Tst 8.68 8.86 ..

Surinvest Trust Managers Ltd.
50 Athol St, Douglas, IOM. 0624 23914
99.1 .. The Silver Tst 94.7 99.1 ..

Tyndall Group (Bermuda).
PO Box 1256, Hamilton 5, Bermuda. 2-2760
1.04 -0.01 O'seas Dist (3) $ 0.98 1.03e 6.00
1.60 .. Do Accum (3) $ 1.51 1.60 ..
2.60 .. 3 Way Int (40) $ 2.47 2.60 ..
2.67 .. Equity 2.54 2.67 ..
3.79 .. Bond 3.61 3.79 ..
2.25 .. Commodity 2.14 2.25 ..

Tyndall Group (Isle of Man).
Victory House, Douglas, IOM. 0624-25029
134.0 .. Managed Fnd 127.2 134.0 ..
162.4 .. Equity 154.2 162.4 ..
135.6 .. Fixed Interest 128.8 135.6 ..
114.2 .. Property 108.4 114.2 ..

Tyndall Group (Jersey).
2 New Street, St Helier, Jersey. 0534-37331
6.60 .. O'seas Ster (3) £ 6.20 6.60e 6.00
10.25 -0.05 Do Accum (3) £ 9.60 10.20 ..
116.4 -1.8 Gilt Fnd Dist 112.6 114.6 10.45
142.8 -2.4 Do Accum (3) 137.8 140.4 ..
202.8 -3.4 Jersey Fnd Dist 188.0 199.4 7.10
261.6 -4.6 Do J Accum 242.4 257.0 ..

e Ex dividend. * Not available to the general public. † Guernsey gross yield. ‡ Previous days price. a Ex all. c Dealings suspended. e Sub-divided. f Cash value for £100 premium. g Ex bonus. h Estimated yield. k Yield before Jersey tax. p Periodic premium. s Single premium. Dealing or valuation days—(1) Monday. (2) Tuesday. (3) Wednesday. (4) Thursday. (5) Friday. (8) Feb 13. (9) Feb 14. (10) Feb 28. (14) Mar 1. (15) Feb 15. (16) Feb 7. (18) Feb 7. (20) 25th of month. (21) 2nd Thursday of month. (22) 1st and 3rd Wednesday of month. (23) 20th of month. (24) 3rd Tuesday of month. (25) 1st and 3rd Thursday of month. (26) 4th Thursday of month. (27) 1st Wednesday of month. (28) Last Thursday of month. (29) 3rd working day of month. (30) 16th of month. (31) 1st working day of month. (32) 20th of month. (33) 1st day of Feb, May, Aug, Nov. (34) Last working day of month. (35) 10th of month. (36) 14th of month. (37) 21st of each month. (38) 3rd Wednesday of month. (39) 2nd Wednesday of month. (40) Valued monthly.

City Offices
Hampton & Sons
01-236 7831

Stock Exchange Prices

Capitalization and week's change

ACCOUNT DAYS: Dealings Begin, Today. Dealings End, Feb 24. § Contango Day, Feb 27. Settlement Day, March 7

§ Forward bargains are permitted on two previous days

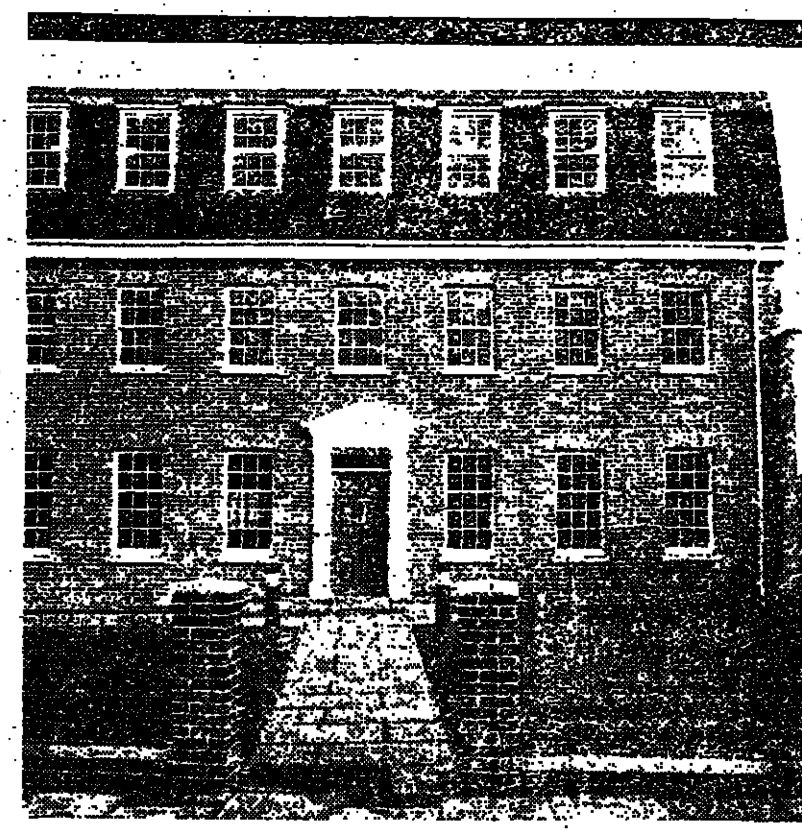
Stock outstanding £	Stock	Price last Friday	Ch'ge on week	Int only	Gross Yield	Yield
BRITISH FUNDS						
1500m	Treas 9½	1978	100⅝	..	9.574	5.497
500m	Treas 10½	1978	102¼	-⅛	10.282	5.276
400m	Exch 5½	1976-78	99½	-⅛	5.625	5.816
1200m	Treas 11½	1978	104⅝	+⅛	11.031	7.287
850m	Treas 3½	1979	39½	..	8.109	8.529
375m	Exch 4½	1974-79	87⅛	+1/16	4.369	6.062
1200m	Treas 10½	1979	103⅜	..	10.177	8.446
250m	Exch 3½	1976-79	85½	-⅛	3.667	6.247
1000m	Treas Cnv 9½	1980	101¼	+⅛	8.849	8.056
1100m	Treas 9½	1980	101¼	+⅛	9.335	8.622
262m	Treas 3½	1977-80	93¾	+⅛	3.757	6.424
400m	Fund 3½	1978-90	56	+⅛	5.521	7.620
800m	Exch 13½	1980	108⅝	+⅛	12.002	9.509
600m	Treas 11½	1981	105¾	+1/16	10.937	8.444
423m	Treas 9½	1979-81	90¾	+1/16	9.853	8.967
802m	Treas 9½	1981	100½	+⅛	9.702	9.358
900m	Exch 9¼	1981	96⅝	+1/16	8.548	9.497
800m	Exch 9½	1981	100⅝	+1/16	9.478	9.432
600m	Exch 3½	1981	37⅝	+⅛	3.419	6.998
600m	Exch 12¾	1981	109⅝	+⅛	11.663	9.787
861m	Treas 8½	1980-82	97¼	+⅛	8.888	9.188
400m	Treas 3½	1982	35⅝	+1/16	3.496	7.301
648m	Treas 14½	1982	113½	..	12.355	9.960
800m	Treas 9¾	1982	98¼	+⅛	9.537	9.536
800m	Exch 9½	1982	96⅝	+1/16	9.394	9.640
600m	Exch 3½	1983	32⅝	+⅛	3.638	7.236
800m	Treas 12¾	1983	107¾	..	11.967	9.900
800m	Treas 9½	1983	98	+⅛	9.606	9.903
500m	Fund 3½	1982-84	37⅝	+⅛	6.347	8.403
600m	Treas 8¾	1984-86	94⅝	+⅛	8.961	9.293
529m	Fund 9¾	1985-87	99¾	+⅛	8.796	9.218
300m	Treas 7¾	1985-88	86⅝	+⅛	8.975	9.041
1032m	Treas 3½	1975-88	69¾	+⅛	4.632	8.082
600m	Treas 3½	1986-89	71⅝	+⅛	5.173	9.311
600m	Treas 13½	1960	111¾	..	11.799	13.412
800m	Treas 3½	1987-90	66	..	9.749	10.561
800m	Treas 11¾	1991	102⅜	..	11.493	11.414
400m	Fund 9½	1987-91	71¾	..	8.313	10.622
800m	Treas 12½	1992	105¾	..	11.868	11.454
600m	Treas 10½	1992	90¾	..	11.042	11.362
800m	Exch 12¼	1992	103⅝	..	11.780	11.681
1100m	Treas 13¼	1992	109⅞	..	11.886	11.732
600m	Fund 5½	1982	49¾	..	9.099	11.260
1250m	Treas 13¾	1993	116¼	..	12.153	11.882
600m	Treas 14¼	1994	118½	+⅛	12.713	11.887
1000m	Exch 12¾	1994	106	+⅛	11.874	11.776
900m	Treas 9¾	1994	85¾	+⅛	10.652	11.410
1100m	Treas 9½	1995	105	+⅛	11.125	11.677
214m	Gas 3½	1990-95	45¾	+⅛	6.152	8.857
980m	Treas 12¾	1995	110¾	+⅛	11.908	11.785
600m	Treas 9½	1992-96	89¾	..	10.719	11.073
1,500m	Treas 15½	1996	127⅛	+⅛	12.396	12.062
890m	Exch 13¾	1996	113¾	+⅛	11.983	11.826
41m	Ednsptn 3½	1986-96	44⅜	-⅛	6.350	8.813
1500m	Treas 12¾	1997	111½	..	11.073	11.825
900m	Exch 10½	1997	92⅜	..	11.345	11.573
800m	Treas 9½	1997	89¼	+⅛	10.771	11.129
600m	Treas 8¾	1996-98	85¾	+1/16	10.163	10.830
1100m	Treas 15¾	1998	131⅞	+⅛	12.296	12.046
800m	Treas 9½	1998	87¾	..	10.871	11.167
445m	Fund 3½	1986-94	40¾	..	8.733	9.971
848m	Treas 8¾	2002-06	77⅞	+⅛	10.741	10.954
1000m	Treas 5½	2008-12	52⅝	+⅛	10.380	10.647
600m	Treas 5½	2012-15	52⅛	+⅛	10.884	10.779
363m	Consols 4%		25¾	..	11.313	..
1570m	War Ln 3½		38½	+⅛	9.181	..
250m	Conv 3½		38¼	+⅛	9.473	..
53m	Treas 3½		37¾	..	11.530	..
278m	Consols 2½		25¾	..	11.123	..
482m	Treas 3½	Aft '78	35¾	..	11.294	..
COMMONWEALTH AND FOREIGN						
12m	Aust 5½	76-78	101½	+⅛	5.512	7.232
12m	Aust 5½	77-80	94⅜	+⅛	5.837	8.960
20m	Aust 5½	81-82	87¼	..	6.446	9.954
10m	Aust 5½	81-83	84	..	7.329	9.578
14m	Aust 7½	79-81	91	..	7.686	9.843
—	Colleen Mixed		90	..	..	..
3m	E Africa 5½	77-82	74	..	7.858	12.678
—	German 4½	1920	340	..	..	..
—	Hungary 4½	1924	40	..	..	..
—	Ireland 7½	81-83	87⅞	..	..	..
3m	Jamaica 7½	77-79	97	+1⅛	8.028	10.556
—	Japan Ass 4½	1910	290	..	..	..
—	Japan 6½	85-88	94	+⅛	..	..
4m	Kenya 6½	76-82	78¾	..	8.528	12.640
7m	Malaya 7½	76-82	83½	..	8.969	12.413
12m	N Z 6½	76-78	99½	..	6.491	9.430
12m	N Z 6½	77-80	85¾	..	7.626	10.298
12m	N Z 6½	78-82	77½	..	10.096	11.272
12m	N Z 7½	79-82	87½	..	8.615	11.263
3m	N Rhd 6½	76-81	86¼	..	6.730	10.434
1m	Nyasa 6½	76-81	86½	..	6.730	10.434
—	Peru 6½	Ass	15½	..	..	..
5m	S Africa 9½	78-81	94	..	..	..
20m	S Rhd 2½	47-78	62	..	..	..
3m	S Rhd 4½	47-92	58	..	..	..
5m	S Rhd 4½	78-81	88	..	..	..
—	Spanish 4½		45	..	..	..
4m	Tstg 5½	78-82	79½	..	7.590	12.615
—	Uruguay 3½		33	..	..	..
LOCAL AUTHORITIES						
26m	L C C 3½	1920	25	..	12.000	..
25m	L C C 3½	57-59	62	..	6.224	10.043
25m	L C C 5½	77-83	90¾	..	6.112	8.494
30m	L C C 5½	82-84	90¾	..	6.359	9.746
15m	L C C 5½	85-87	92	..	7.726	10.416
20m	L C C 6½	76-78	96	..	6.233	8.845
25m	L C C 6½	88-90	93½	..	6.290	10.439
40m	G L C 6¾	90-92	88¾	..	9.789	11.213
25m	G L C 6¾	90-92	87¾	..	9.768	10.234
75m	G L C 13¼	1982	104½	..	11.948	11.146
100m	G L C 12¾	1983	104¾	..	11.969	11.316
12m	G of L 6¾	73-78	99¾	..	6.815	9.931
16m	G of L 6¾	90-92	86	..	7.854	10.540
11m	Ag Mt 7¾	81-84	85	..	9.467	11.694
20m	Ag Mt 7¾	91-93	73¾	..	10.998	11.948
12m	Ag Mt 7¾	85-90	67¾	..	9.888	11.480
10m	Belfast 6¾	77-80	81	..	7.141	10.544
5m	Brighton 6¾	76-78	97½	..	6.663	8.739
15m	Camden 6¾	77-79	95¾	..	6.612	8.522
15m	Croydon 6¾	78-81	89½	..	7.630	10.516
15m	Edin 6¾	77-79	96½	..	6.586	8.675
20m	Glasgow 9¼	90-92	99¾	..	9.081	10.439
20m	Gwlch 6¾	76-78	99½	..	6.780	7.583
30m	Liverpl 13¾	1981	107½	..	12.541	10.861
27m	Met Water B 3¾		34-63	39½	..	9.489	11.157
15m	N I 6¾		69½	89	..	7.300	13.224
20m	S I 6¾		77-79	97	..	9.884	11.478
5m	N I Elec 6¾		81-83	81½	..	7.958	12.296
5m	Notts 6¾		76-78	99¾	..	6.763	7.314
5m	Rthend 3¾		77-79	97	..	5.487	8.506
10m	Swark 6¾		83-86	81¼	..	8.473	10.360
15m	Surrey 6¾		78-80	93	..	6.446	9.754

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Investment Dollar Premium 17½% (17¼%). Premium Conversion Factor 0.7568.						
FOREIGN STOCKS						
1,895 Tm	Bayer	£44½	+½	197	4.4	19.7
—	Commerzbank	£14¾	..	44.2	3.0	16.7
284 Tm	Fr Fn Paris	£10	..	157	9.9	6.2
451 Tm	R.B.S.	£49	..	281	6.7	..
391.2m	Priscoun	£194	-4	69.2	3.6	22.2
—	Rinspur	—	..	..	..	..
92.5m	Grangest	£74	..	..	..	..
—	Rowntrel	430	..	19.7	4.6	14.1
—	Montecatini E	9	..	..	..	..
17	Rodovre H.S	560	-2	29.7	5.3	29.8
4m Im	Rodovre Subs (1 S	355	..	..	..	45.8
13.9m	Sma Vizcona	32	..	..	..	..
—	Thyssen-Huette	805	+30	..	..	14.4
—	Volkswagen	265½	+1¼	..	..	..
DOLLAR STOCKS						
217.5m	Bracan	62½	-½	37.4g	6.3	4.0
—	BP Canada	29	..	..	..	..
7.9 Im	Can Pac Ord	110½	-½	47.9	4.6	5.0
2.9.4m	Hiram Walker	41½	-½	41.7	3.9	20.4
—	Imperial Oil Cp	23¾	..	..	..	..
35.1m	Place	122	+½	65.7	2.8	9.9
—	Rollinger	119½	..	..	..	..
4.9 Im	Rod Nic Ord	125½	-½	29.3	1.1	49.3
—	Royal Oil	47½	..	..	..	..
42.9 Im	Seagram	87½	-½	56.3	6.5	4.9
25.5m	Texaco	47½	..	46.2	8.9	10.8
30.6.4m	Trans Canada Pipe	27½	..	43.7	4.1	..
3.4.6m	Wayne Chem	29	-½	38.1	6.5	2.6
82.9 Im	Weston (Geo)	119½	..	43.7	3.5	10.0
—	Pacific Petrol	120½	..	..	..	..
—	Pan Canadian	135½	..	..	..	..
—	Steep Rock	138	..	..	..	..
—	Trans Can P	65	..	15.9	2.2	21.0
—	Tri-Steel	250½	..	12.5	4.9	10.7
17.5m	White Pass	75½	..	15.7	1.1	35.7
17.0m	Zapata Corp	111½	..	15.7	1.1	35.7
BANKS AND DISCOUNTS						
12.0m	Alex Discount	248	-2	21.7	4.5	5.6
7.7½m	Allen H & Hsrs	470	+5	49.6	4.8	8.5
9.5m	Allied Irish	350	+1	10.08	8.1	5.5
9.0m	Am Express	215	..	11.3	9.0	10.9
9.0m	Am Express	215	..	11.3	9.0	10.9
2 12.5m	Bank America	435	-4	45.0	7.3	11.9
11.0m	Bk of Ireland	350	..	20.1g	6.0	6.2
42.5m	Bk Lr Scotland	10	..	11.2	5.7	4.7
3 10m	Bk Tokyo U K	130	..	11.2	6.8	15.2
7.5m	Barclays NY	410	+10	41.2	5.0	8.1
8.5m	Bk of Scotland	295	..	18.5	5.8	6.2
6.5m	Bank Leu NY	375	..	175	4.3	8.6
6.5m	Barclays Bank	430	..	19.6	5.1	7.9
5 10m	Brown Shipley	270	..	14.0	5.2	6.9
12.5m	Cater Ryder	223	..	26.6	9.4	5.4
10.5m	Chas Mart	195½	..	114	5.8	9.3
1.7.5m	Chiltern	414	..	81.5	4.4	7.4
15m	Cl Bk Channels	215	..	11.5	5.3	8.5
15m	Cl Bk of Aust	190	..	10.3	5.4	8.9
7.9m	Cl Bk of I	225	..	12.5	5.5	8.5
15m	Cl De France	214½	..	131	6.0	10.4
3 6.5m	First Nat Fin	77½	..	..	..	..
7.5m	Fraser Am	170	..	..	..	..
15m	Gerrard & Nat	350	..	15.9	4.5	6.8
7.5m	Gibbs A & Sons	475	..	23.6	5.0	7.1
6.5m	Gilbert Bros	168	-3	23.4	10.2	5.0
20.5m	Grindlays Hldgs	117	..	4.6	3.9	6.3
15m	Guinness Peat	212	+5	10.2	7.7	10.3
7.5m	Hambros	141	..	14.0	..	..
15m	Hill Samuel	185	..	14.1	7.6	5.3
15m	Hogg K & Shang	252	..	17.5	6.9	7.0
2.5m	Jessel Toynbee	70	..	6.7	9.5	..
4 12.5m	Joseph L	110	..	11.5	10.4	9.9
20.0m	Kleinwort Benson	278	-2	19.1	6.8	7.1
5 10.0m	Kleinwort Sons	184	..	13.9	7.5	5.8
5m	Lazard Bros	275	..	20.0	7.2	5.6
15m	Lloyds Bank	320	..	16.4	5.1	7.9
4.5m	Mallinson Horsley	205	..	14.0	6.8	5.3
15m	Mercantile Hse	215	..	13.2	6.1	8.6
15m	Midland	340	-5	24.4g	6.6	5.0
20.1m	Minster Assets	90	..	3.3g	3.7	8.6
7.5m	Nat of Aust	157	..	8.7	4.7	7.5
15m	Nat Com Bk Grp	253	..	17.1	6.8	6.4
15m	Nat W Minster	260	..	16.8	6.5	6.6
15.5m	Ottoman	57	..	3.50	6.4	21.0
6 7.5.0m	Rea Bros	93	..	7.4	8.0	13.5
5.5m	Rea Brothers	240	..	14.3	6.0	7.6
15m	Royal of Can	£16½	..	68.8	4.2	12.6
12.5m	Schroders	410	-5	25.7	3.8	14.5
2 22.5m	Secs Corp	115	..	19.7	8.1	6.5
7 7.5m	Smith St Aubyn	74	..	7.3	9.9	..
27.5m	Standard Chart	460	-5	27.6	6.0	5.8
12.5m	Union Discount	455	-5	31.9	7.0	5.3
4 17.0m	Warburg	93	..	4.6	4.9	25.1
BREWERIES AND DISTILLERIES						
142.9m	Allied	91	-2	9.0g	7.1	11.3
5.9m	Bass Charrington	145	-2	7.3	5.1	9.7
3 32.5m	Bodington Grp	40	..	..	..	..
7.7m	Bell A.	174	-5	..	3.4	8.6
29.9m	Bowaters	176	..	7.4	4.2	8.8
12.0m	Brewer St	180	..	9.9	5.5	12.4
11.0m	Bulmer (H P Hldgs)	74	..	5.9	8.0	9.3
6 45.0m	Burtonwood	131	..	4.8	3.7	10.6
2.5m	Carl Ltn Ord	60	..	3.6	6.1	23.6
5 43.0m	Lawrence	178	-2	8.9	5.7	6.3
85.5m	Distillers	175	..	9.9	5.6	11.1
7.4m	Greenall Whit	270	h -5	9.0	3.3	12.1
17.5m	Greenall	196	..	11.0	5.6	10.2
12.0m	Grover King	220	-3	10.9	5.0	12.3
15.2m	Guinness	178	-2	10.6	6.0	9.3
6 120.0m	Hardys & Hnsns	157	-3	10.6	6.9	10.3
58.3m	Highland	150	-4	4.1	2.7	11.9
18.3m	Invergordon	91	-2	3.2	3.4	10.6
27.9m	Irish Distillers	122	..	..	3.4	8.1
12.8m	Marston	57	..	3.7	6.4	8.3
153.7m	Scot & Newcastle	87	..	4.9	7.3	14.7
203.1m	Seagram	£140½	-½	45.7	3.1	10.7
133.7m	SA Breweries	60	..	6.3	10.6	4.2
5,474.000	Tomatin	101	-2	4.1	4.3	29.6
26.2m	Vaux	415	-17	24.4	5.9	10.7
155.1m	Whitbread 'A'	96½	-½	5.6	6.3	9.3
—	Do B	87	..	5.6	6.4	9.9
16.8m	Whitbread Inv	80	-2	5.7	7.1	22.0
21.6m	Wolverhampton	106	-2	8.7	4.4	11.6

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COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL						
A—E						
15.9m	AAH	114	+1	8.3	7.3	8.4
3,280,000	AB Electronic	98	-4	7.6	7.8	6.7
800,000	AC Cars	49	+2	1.5	3.7	10.0
6,661,000	AGB Research	88	+7	2.5	3.9	14.7
53.9m	APV Hldgs	195	-2	8.1	4.2	7.8
12.0m	Aaronson Bros	62	+3	3.0	4.8	4.9
1,824,000	Acrow	114	..	3.6	3.2	11.0
44.4m	Do A	80	+2	3.6	4.5	9.1
6,397,000	Adda Int	36	-½	0.8	2.1	..
21.0m	Adwest Group	246	+2	13.2	5.2	6.8
960,000	Aerovt'g Gen	40	+2	3.5	5.8	10.7
11.9m	Airfix Ind	46	..	1.6	3.9	6.1
210.4m	Albright & W	94	..	6.5	6.9	6.1
7,120,000	Alcan 10½%	£89	-½	1050	11.8	..
17.0m	Do 9% Cnv	£142	-1	900	6.3	..
13.3m	Alginate Ind	200	..	19.7	6.8	10.7
11.6m	Allen E. Sulfour	89	+3	6.6	11.1	..
1,473,000	Allen W. G.	44	-1	4.3	9.7	4.9
22.5m	Allied Colloids	70	+3	2.4	3.4	12.3
5,760,000	Allied Insulators	64	+1	3.3	5.2	7.7
1,500,000	Allied Plant	15	+1	1.1	7.1	9.0
17.3m	Allied Retailers	201	+4	13.2	6.6	9.7
5,800,000	Alpine Hldgs	389½	-½	7.5	2.4	23.1
17.2m	Amal Metal	275	-5	21.5	7.8	5.3
16.3m	Amal Power	119	-2	8.0	6.7	6.6
4,240,000	Amber Day	35	-2	2.0	5.7	5.0
469,000	Amber Ind Hldgs	18	+1	0.8g	4.2	2.7
1,879,000	Anchor Chem	66	-3	6.0	9.0	7.4
15.4m	Anderson Strath	49	+3	3.8	7.8	6.6
7,133,000	Anglia TV 'A'	84	..	6.3	7.5	6.3
120.8m	Anglo Amer Ind	450	..	42.9	9.5	4.2
380,000	Ang Swiss Hldgs	34	..	..	..	..
4,578,000	Appleyard	84	+1	6.7	8.0	7.3
6,035,000	Aquascutum 'A'	36	..	2.1	5.8	8.1
4,811,000	Arlington Mr	117	-1	11.7	10.0	8.9
14.2m	Armitage Shanks	68	-3	6.5	9.5	9.8
53.8m	Arnott Equip	69½	+3	3.1	5.1	10.4
125.2m	Asprey Gv'rs Pf	150	..	9.0	12.0	..
34.7m	Ass Biscuit	76	+4	4.8	6.3	7.4
6,736,000	Ass Brok	188	+23	4.1	2.2	8.3
217.6m	Ass Brit Food	61	..	3.3	5.4	6.2
801,000	Ass Engineer	121	+2½	7.1	5.9	6.3
9,315,000	Asp Fisheries	53	-2	4.6	8.6	5.1
14.0m	Ass Leisure	53½	+1½	4.3	7.9	10.0
45.2m	Ass News	151	..	11.1	5.4	8.6
4,496,000	Ass Paper	50½	+2	4.3	8.6	7.4
168.6m	Ass Port Cement	253	-1	13.1	5.6	7.7
53.2m	Ass Tel 'A'	103	..	9.9	9.6	7.2
454.000	Ass Tooling	36	..	3.5g	13.3	9.6
1,572,000	Astbury & Midley	39	..	1.7	4.2	6.1
1,824,000	Atkins Bros	57	+6	5.6	9.8	8.9
3,618,000	Autotronic	31	-½	..	..	7.7
1,733,000	Avdel & Wilsorp	180	+2	8.3	4.6	9.7
8,948,000	Aurora Hldgs	38	-2	7.9	9.0	4.2
710,000	Austin E.	67	-3	5.5	8.2	4.8
35.4m	Automotive Pd	94½	+3½	2.8	3.0	7.6
6,546,000	Avana Grp	32	+½	1.7	4.2	6.1
57.9m	Averys	157	..	8.3	5.3	9.4
12.7m	Avon Rubber	192	+3	14.1	7.3	2.8
994.8m	B.A.T. Ind	297	+15	21.1	7.1	5.1
62.7m	Do Dfd	240	+12	..	..	..
24.0m	BBA Grp	53	-2	3.4	6.4	7.7
143.6m	BET Dfd °	98	-1	8.1	8.1	7.4
171.9m	BICC	106	+2	10.0	9.5	12.6
221.6m	BOC Int	80	+3	4.8	6.0	4.7
109.4m	BPB Ind	128	+3	11.0	4.6	7.3
672.0m	BPM Hldgs 'A'	48	+1	4.3	9.0	6.5
23.9m	BSG Int	44	-2	2.3	5.2	8.3
82.8m	BSR Ltd	93	+3	7.1	7.6	4.2
128.2m	BTR Ltd	237	+12	13.6	5.8	8.3
104.1m	Babcock & W	124	+3	8.0	7.0	5.0
1,320,000	Baggeridge Brk	33	..	3.5	10.7	10.3
3,861,000	Bailey C.H. Ord	54	-3	6.3	3.8	64.4
24.9m	Baird W.	151	+1	14.1	9.3	5.7
42.2m	Baker Perkins	84	+1	6.3	6.7	6.6
1,473,000	Bamburgers	45	..	4.5	9.4	5.4
9,076,000	Barker & Dixon	73½	..	..	..	..
193.0m	Barlow Rand	180	..	16.5	8.8	3.9
720.000	Barr & Wallace	72	+1	5.1	7.1	7.0
2,090,000	Do A	71	-3	5.1	7.2	6.9
37.2m	Barratt Devs	115	+4	12.2	10.6	5.4
11.3m	Barrow Hepbn	49	+2	5.6	11.4	6.6
7,413,000	Barton & Sons	49	..	5.0	10.1	4.6
16.9m	Bassett G.	141	-1	7.5	5.3	8.7
12.5m	Bath & Pland	81	+3	5.0	6.1	4.5
2,148,000	Beales J.	56	-1	4.0	7.1	4.1
7,137,000	Beatson Clark	168	+2	7.6	4.5	6.7
1,625,000	Beauford Grp	50	..	4.6	9.2	5.8
6,825,000	Beckman A.	67	-6	6.8	10.1	7.4
927.5m	Beecham Grp	635	+16	28.0	4.4	13.3
33.0m	Bejam Grp	65	+5	2.2	3.4	8.3
7,938,000	Bemrose Corp	67	-1	5.8	8.7	6.4
3,956,000	Bean Bros	98	-1	3.4	3.5	9.0
5,859,000	Berisford S & W	221	+11	22.5	10.2	5.0
2,430,000	Barisfords	80	-2	3.4	5.7	6.3
1,147,000	Best & May	51	-1	4.3	8.4	8.9
20.5m	Bestobell	186	+1	14.3	9.2	8.0
9,750,000	Bett Bros	65	+1	2.6	4.0	7.1
18.4m	Bibby J.	253	+16	10.1	4.5	7.2
46.8m	Bimid Qualcst	77	+4	6.2	8.7	8.8
1,200,000	Birmingham Mint	65	..	6.6	10.1	7.0
2,855,000	Bishops Stores	155	..	11.1	7.1	5.4
4,326,000	Do A NV	125	..	8.7	7.0	7.0
17.8m	Black & Edg'ton	114	+2	6.4	5.6	15.1
826,000	Blackman & C	17	-1	..	..	30.4
21.6m	Blackwd Hodge	79	+3½	4.4	5.6	7.1
2,080,000	Blackwood Mt	26	-½	..	..	14.9
11.8m	Blagden & N	123	-6	18.2	8.2	8.5
3,885,000	Blundell Perm	61	-1	4.4	7.2	5.9
2,981,000	Boardman S. G.	72	..	1.5	12.3	3.3
5,198,000	Bodycote	66	-2	3.4	5.2	6.4
1,370,000	Bonser Eng	22	..	2.0	9.2	12.2
7,848,000	Booker McCon	210	-5	10.7	5.1	9.6
7,848,000	B'ger & Ewkes	200	-5	7.3	3.6	9.7
7,113,000	Boot H.	134	..	12.5	9.3	6.0
229.5m	Boots	294	+7	4.3	2.1	15.6
32.0m	Borthwick T.	71	+3	9.4	13.2	9.8
4,992,000	Boulton W.	19½	..	2.1	10.6	6.3
244.2m	Bowater Corp	169	-4	14.7	8.8	7.9
22.6m	Bowthrpe Hldgs	56½	+½	2.3	4.1	6.9
8,463,000	Bosby-Leslie	86	+4	8.0	9.2	4.9
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prising 5,255 sq ft. To the rear of the factory are further stores of 8,995 sq ft and a number of ancillary buildings with a floor area of 3,003 sq ft.

Justice Works, the second factory that Grimley and Sons are selling in Tame Road, includes a freehold single storey factory with the main assembly shop containing 20,011 sq ft. There is also a two-storey office building at the front of the factory containing 2,261 sq ft.

A new, highly-mechanized factory has been completed in Brighton for Jaycee Furniture, a company whose sales have grown to over £8.5m since 1947. Among the factory's novel features are a mechanized track system, which has enabled the company to increase its polishing of oak furniture, and a new smoke-free boiler, which runs on wood-waste which will save £25,000 a year on fuel and £17,000 in payments to refuse collection companies.

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Tenants have been found for several purpose-built office premises, such as the Georgian-style building in the Great North Road, Finchley, north London. This new office complex, by Costain Developments, has been let to British Leyland Finance, a company 80 per cent owned by Lombard North Central, and 20 per cent by British Leyland.

Dulux House, in Slough High Street, formerly occupied by the paints division of ICI, with a floor area of about 29,000 sq ft, has been let for about £145,000 a year to International Computers Ltd and ICI has surrendered its long leasehold interest in the property.

The Bear Hotel, Wantage, Oxfordshire, has come onto the commercial property market for £142,500, following a new policy adopted by its owners, Morland and Company, to concentrate on the smaller public houses. The hotel is believed to date from 1650 and includes 15 letting bedrooms, restaurant, cocktail and saloon bars, eight staff bedrooms and management flat.

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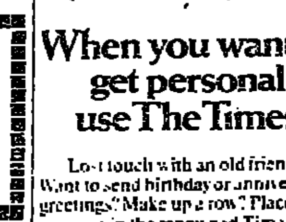
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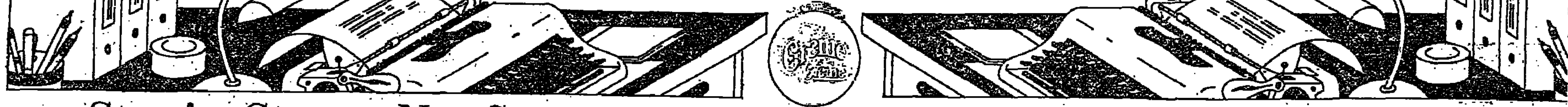
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...ns (BBC 1): ...1.45-2.00 pm, Pili ...Wales Today. 6.50-... SCOTLAND: 5.55-...eporting Scotland. ...count. 11.40, News ... NORTHERN IRE-...5 pm, Northern Ire-... 5.55-6.20, Scene

... 12.30 pm, Garden-... 1.20, West Head-...ies Headlines. 1.30, ... Film: Jack Hulbert, ...n and Fay Wray in ...3.50, Thames. 5.15, ... Report West. 6.22, ...45, Thames. 10.35-... Gregory Peck, Joan ...phen Boyd in The ... CYMRU/WALES: As ...10-1.35 pm, Penaw-...y Dydd. 2.00-2.25, ...5.22, Y Dydd. 8.30-...ns. HTV WEST: As ...20-1.30 pm, West ...6.45, Report West.

... 1.25 pm, Anglia ...uthern. 2.25, Fam-...le. 3.50, Thames. ...00, About Anglia. ... 10.30, Wish You ....00, Columbo (r). ...ection.

... 12.30 pm, They ...1.00, News. 1.20, ... 1.30, Thames. ...s That Man Again. ... Handley. 3.50. ...TV. 6.00, Calendar. ...0.00, News at Ten. ..., Film: The Tall ...ne Baxter.

... 12.30 pm, The ...00, News. 1.20, ...30, Southern. 2.25. ...'63, with James ...ckett. 3.50, Thames. ...Way. 5.45, News. ...id. 6.15, University ..., Thames. 10.30, ...Who Came in from ... Richard Burton. ... 12.30 am, Border

... 1.20 pm, Lunch-...mes. 2.00, See You ...ilm, Elephant Boy, ...alter Hudd, Alan ...hames. 5.15, ATV. ...ersion News. 6.05, ... Down. 6.30, Re-... Thames. 10.30, ...McMillan and Wife.

BBC 2

7.30-7.55 am, Open University. Computers. 11.00-11.25, Play School. 3.00, Wordpower. 3.30, Children Growing Up. 4.00-4.25, Parents and School. 4.55, Open University: Imagery and Imagism. 5.20, Perceiving a Wilderness. 5.45, Maths. 6.10, Symbols, equations and the Computer. 6.35, Telephone Models.
7.00 News Headlines.
7.05 Children's Wardrobe.
7.30 Newsday.
8.10 James Galway's World of Music.
9.00 Americans part 5: The Rancher.
9.50 Marie Curie.
10.45 Just a Nimmo.
11.15 Open Door. Abortion Law Reform Association presents A Women's Right to Choose.
11.40 News.
11.50-12.15 Tele-Journal.

Thames

12.00, Noddy (r). 12.10 pm, Pipkins. 12.30, Indoor League. 1.00, News. 1.20, Help! 1.30, About Britain. 2.00, After Noon. 2.25, Film: Green Grow the Rushes, with Richard Burton, Honor Blackman, Roger Livesey.* 3.50, Couples (r). 4.20, Clapperboard. 4.45, The Flockton Flyer. 5.15, Pauline's People.
5.45 News. 6.00, Thames at 6.
6.40 *Help!*
6.45 Opportunity Knocks!
7.30 Coronation Street.
8.00 Miss Jones and Son.
8.30 World in Action.
9.00 Hazell.
10.00 News.
10.30 Film: Captain from Castile, with Tyrone Power, Jean Peters.
1.00 am Epilogue.

* Black and white.
(r) Repeat.

ATV

12.00 pm, Thames. 12.30, George Hamilton IV. 1.00, News. 1.20, ATV News. 1.30, Thames. 2.25, Film: Cheaper by the Dozen, with Clifton Webb, Jeanne Crain, Myrna Loy. 3.50, Thames. 5.15, University Challenge. 5.45, News. 6.00, ATV Today. 6.45, Thames. 10.30, Left Right and Centre. 11.00, Bless This House. 11.30, A Prime Minister on Prime Ministers. 12.00-12.15, Something Different.

Granada

12.00 pm, Thames. 12.30, All About Babies. 1.00, News. 1.20, Dodo. 1.30, Thames. 2.25, Film: Arthur Askey, Richard Murdoch in Band Waggon.* 3.50, Thames. 5.15, ATV. 6.00, Granada Reports. 6.45, Thames. 10.30, Reports Politics. 11.15-12.40 am, Tenafly.

Southern

12.00 pm, Thames. 12.30, Farm Progress (r). 1.00, News. 1.20, Southern News. 1.30, About Britain. 2.00, Houseparty. 2.25, Thames. 5.15, Mr and Mrs. 5.45, News. 6.00, Day by Day. 6.45, Thames. 10.30, Music in Camera. 11.00, Southern News. 11.10, Let there be Langton. 12.10 am, Weather. Epilogue.

Grampian

12.00, Thames. 12.30 pm, Reardon on Snooker. 1.00, News. 1.20, Grampian News Headlines. 1.30, Thames. 2.25, Film: Vote for Huggett, with Jack Warner, Kathleen Harrison, Diana Dors.* 3.50, Thames. 5.15, ATV. 6.00, Grampian Today. 6.10, Mary Tyler Moore. 6.40, Help! 6.45, Thames. 10.30, Reflections. 10.35-12.15 am, Film: Sitting Target, with Oliver Reed, Jill St John, Ian McShane.

Tyne Tees

12.00, Thames. 1.20 pm, North East News. 1.30, Thames. 2.25, Power Without Glory. 3.20, Generation Scene. 3.35, The Little Rascals.* 3.50, Thames. 5.15, ATV. 6.00, Northern Life. 6.40, Police Call. 6.45, Thames. 10.30, Northern Scene. 11.00, Film, The Best House in London, with David Hemmings, Joanna Pettet. 12.40 am, Epilogue.

Scottish

12.00, Thames. 1.25 pm, Road Report. 1.30, Thames. 2.25, Film, It's That Man Again, with Tommy Handley, Jack Train.* 3.50, Thames. 5.15, ATV. 6.00, Scotland Today. 6.30, Crimedesk. 6.45, Thames. 10.30, Bin Break International. 11.00, Master Golf. 11.30, ATV. 12.00, Late Call. 12.05-12.35 am, Bulin's Grand Masters Dart Championships.

Westward

12.00, Thames. 1.20 pm, Westward News Headlines. 1.30, Thames. 2.25, Film: Linda, with Stella Stevens, Ed Nelson, John McIntire. John Saxon. 3.50, Thames. 5.15, ATV. 6.00, Westward Diary. 6.20, Sports Desk. 6.45, Thames. 10.30, Steal Away. 11.00, Film: Dirty Dingus Magee, with Frank Sinatra. 12.25 am, Faith for Life.

Radio

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6.00 am, News. Ray Moore.† 7.02, Noel Edmonds. 9.00, Simon Bates. 11.31, Paul Burnett. 2.00 pm, Tony Blackburn. 4.31, Dave Lee Travis. 7.02, Northern Radio Orchestra.† 7.30, Alan Dell. 9.02, Humphrey Lyttelton.† 9.55, Sports Desk. 10.02, John Peel.† 12.00-12.06 am, News.
† Stereo.

2

6.00 am, Radio 1. 7.32, Terry Wogan.† (8.27, Racing bulletin.) 10.02, Jimmy Young.† 12.15 pm, Waggoners' Walk. 12.30, Pete Murray.† 2.30, David Hamilton.† 4.30, Waggoners' Walk. 4.45, Sports Desk. 4.47, John Dunn.† 6.45, Sport. 7.02, Radio 1. 10.02, You've Got to be Joking. 10.30, Star Sound. 11.03, Brian Matthew. 12.00, News.

3

6.55 am, Weather. 7.00, News. 7.05, Grace Williams, Mathias, Copland.† 8.00, News. 8.05, Delius, Shostakovich.† 9.00, News. 9.05, Palestrina.† 9.40, Talking about Music.† 10.10, Wind Quintets: Hindemith, Mather, Fine.† 10.55, Janet Baker (song recital), part 1: Cavalli, Schubert, Liszt.† 12.00, In Short. 12.10 pm, Janet Baker, part 2: Fauré, Berkeley.† 1.00 pm, News. 1.05, BBC Lunchtime Concert: Schubert, Webern, Haydn.† 2.05, St Albans '77, organ recital: de Grigny, Buxtehude.† 2.45, Matinée Musicale.† 3.45, Max Rostal and Colin Horsley (violin and piano): Berkeley, Busini.† 4.40, New Records: Boito.† 5.15, Bandstand.† 5.45, Homeward Bound. 6.05, News. 6.10, Homeward Bound. 6.30, Household Pets. 7.00, Your Everyday Drugs.

7.30, EBU Concert from Manchester, part 1: Mozart.† 7.50, The Spanish Civil War and Latin America, talk by Alistair Hennessy. 8.10, Concert, part 2: Beethoven.† 9.10, Plainsong and the Rise of European Music.† 10.10, Music in Our Time: Ferneyhough.† 11.15-11.35, Schubert Songs.

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6.15 am, News. 6.17, Farming. 6.35, Up to the Hour. 7.00, News. 7.10, Today. 7.35, Up to the Hour. 8.00, News. 8.10, Today. 8.45, James Cameron. 9.00, News. 9.05, Richard Baker. 10.00, News. 10.05, Wildlife. 10.30, Service. 10.45, Story. 11.00, News. 11.05, The Countryside in Winter. 11.50, Announcements. 12.00, News. 12.02 pm, You and Yours. 12.27, Top of the Form. 12.55, Weather.

1.00, News. 1.30, The Archers. 1.45, Woman's Hour. 2.45, Listen with Mother. 3.00, News. 3.05, Play: The Sun Stood Still. 4.35, Story: We Joined the Navy, by John Winton, part 1. 5.00, PM Reports. 5.40, Serendipity. 5.55, Weather. 6.00, News. 6.30, What Ho! Jeeves, Joy in the Morning. 7.00, News. 7.05, The Archers. 7.20, From Our Own Correspondent. 7.45, Play: The Duck and the Kangaroo. 9.15, Festivals of Europe: The Big Parade. 9.30, Kaleidoscope. 9.59, Weather. 10.00, News. 10.30, Through African Eyes. 11.00, A Book at Bedtime: "Turtle Diary", by Russell Hoban, part 1. 11.15, The Financial World Tonight. 11.30, Today in Parliament. 11.45, News. 12.03-12.06 am, Inshore forecast.

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BIRTHS

APSION.—On February 11th, at St. Teresa's Hospital, Wimbledon, to Pippa and Gordon—a son.
BONSEY.—On Feb. 10th, to Heather (nee Kennington) and Hugh—a son (James Alan).
FYFE.—On February 10th to Pippy (nee Maitland) and Sandy—a daughter.
GRESWELL.—On February 11th, in Tehran, to Susan (nee Birch) and David — a daughter (Elizabeth Rosemary).
HODGES.—On 9th February 1978 at Queen Charlotte's Hospital to Caroline & Bruce—a daughter.
HULL.—On 9th February, 1978, to Anne Marie and Anthony—a daughter (Catherine Susan May).
HUTCHINSON.—On February 9, at Queen Charlotte's, to Janice (nee Punchard) and Michael—a daughter (Kate).
LEWTHWAITE.—On February 10, in Hamilton, New Zealand, to Katherine (nee Corfield) and Neville—a daughter (Loveday Jane), a sister for James.
MAYER.—On February 9, 1978, at Queen Charlotte's, to Angela (nee Pugh) and Nick—a daughter (Clementina).
MILNES-SMITH.—On February 5th to Rosemary (nee Meaker) & Tom—a daughter (Rachel Patricia Alice).

BIRTHS

MORGAN.—On February 10, to Hugh and Amanda (nee Tapley)—a son, a brother for Richard and Zoe.
OLIVER.—On Feb. 8th, to Rosemary (nee Lond) and Jonathan—a son (Tom), brother for Martin.
SCARFF.—On 9th February, at the Canadian Red Cross Hospital, Taplow, to Eileen (nee Bailey) and Richard—a son.
SEVIER.—On 9th February, at Derby City Hospital, to Penelope and Rex—twin daughters.
ROBERTS.—On February 6, at University College Hospital, to Michael and Elizabeth—a son (Benjamin Willard).
WINGFIELD.—On February 9th at St Michael's Nursing Home, Dun Laoghaire, to Susie and Philip—a daughter.
YEOMAN.—On February 10th at R. U. H., Bath to Amanda (nee Vyvyan-Robinson) and Charles—a son.

ADOPTIONS

CROSBY.—On February 8th by Dianne (nee Newstead) and Michael—a daughter (Helen Ruth Joy), now aged 7 months.

BIRTHDAYS

ANNESS.—Happy Birthday Jean the most beautiful girl in the world.—Love, David.

MARRIAGES

MATTHEWS : MARSHALL.—In London, on Saturday, 11th February, 1978, Jane, daughter of James and Leonora Marshall, to Anthony, son of Nat and Sheila Matthews.

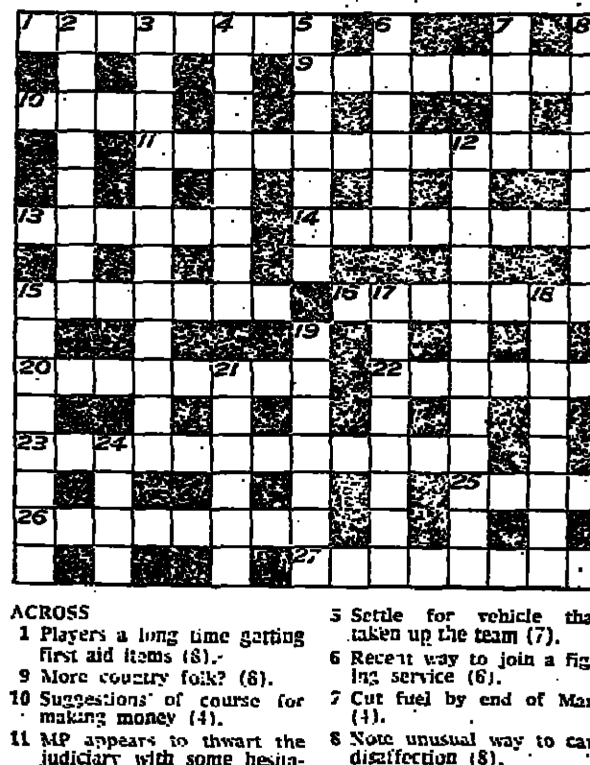
DEATHS

ARMITSTEAD.—On 11th February, suddenly, Maria Gezina (Mollie), nee Swinnerton, widow of W. K. Armitstead, beloved mother of Kenrick, Zoe, Harry and Margie. Funeral at Lexden Church at 2.30 on Friday, 17th February.
ASHBURNER.—On February 11th, 1978, peacefully after a short illness, Monica Ashburner, of Llan-y-Nant, Abergavenny, widow of Brigadier Peter Ashburner, C.B.E., M.C., beloved mother of Tim, Robin and Antoinette and sister of Patricia Parkinson. Cremation private; memorial service to be announced later.
BARNSLEY.—On February 7, 1978, Sybil Violet Pamela (nee Jervois) beloved wife of Herbert O. Barnsley, of Windmill Cottage, Anstey. Funeral at Anstey Church, Hertfordshire, at 2.30 p.m. on February 14. Flowers to Thrussells, Reed, nr. Royston.
BARTON.—On February 11th, 1978, peacefully in her 87th year, Marion (nee Considine), widow of the Rev. C. N. Barton. Funeral private. Memorial Service at Padworth Church to be arranged later.
BATWELL, DESMOND ALEXANDER (Dab).—Suddenly on February 11th, aged 81 years, at Cranleigh, Surrey, dearly loved husband of Kathleen and father of Brian. Tel.: Cranleigh Funeral Directors, Cranleigh 5753.
BERG.—On February 10th, suddenly, but peacefully, Torsten, aged 74, beloved husband of Gerky, father of Peter and grandfather of Anders and Emma. Service at The Swedish Church, Harcourt St., W.1, on Wednesday, 15th February, at 12 noon. No flowers. Donation to Cancer Research or British Heart Foundation.
BLACK.—On February 10th, peacefully at Yelverton, Jean, aged 90 years, mother of Mary Blashko. Cremation service on Wednesday, February 15th, at Weston Mill Crematorium, Plymouth, at 2.30 p.m. Family flowers only. Donations if wished to Oxfam.
CAPRIE.—On February 10th, Ian Thomas, M.B., Ch.B., D.Obst., R.C.O.G., M.R.C.G.P., aged 53 years, suddenly, at home. Dearly loved husband of Marie, devoted father of Barbara and Donald. Funeral service, St. Hilda's Church, Sherburn, North Yorkshire, at 2 p.m., Tuesday, February 14th.
CHUDLEY, B. J. (ROGER).—Suddenly, at home, at Slackyard, The Lane, Fordcombe, on Friday evening, 10th February, 1978. Dearly loved husband of Dorothy, loving father of Pat and Chris, and father in law of Peter. Flowers to W. & F. Groombridge, 25 Mount Ephraim, Tunbridge Wells, Kent (32520). Funeral arrangements to be announced later.
CRAIES.—On 9th February, 1978, in Booker Hospital, H. Rosamond Craies, aged 74 years, of 2 Barberry House, Station Road, Amersham, widow of Constantine Craies. Cremation at The Chilterns Crematorium, Amersham, on Thursday, 16th February, at 2 p.m. Family flowers only to ... Funeral Service, Chesham.
DAVEY.—On February 10th, 1978, peacefully, Ethel Jane Davey, of 8 Springshaw Close, Bessels Green, Kent, aged 81 years, a much loved mother, grandmother and great-grandmother. Cremation, family only, on Tuesday, February 14th. Service of thanksgiving at St. Botolph's Church, Chevening, on Thursday, 16th February, at 2.30 p.m. Family flowers only; donations, if desired, to Chevening Church Repair Fund or the Parkinson's Disease Society, c/o W. Hodges & Co., Sevenoaks. Tel. 55457.
EGAN.—On February 11th, peacefully, aged 88, Doris Maud Mary. Solemn requiem mass at Holy Trinity, Hethe, nr. Bicester, on Friday, 17th, at 11.30 a.m., followed by interment at Lower Heyford. Cut flowers to William Rhodes, 11 Victoria Road, Bicester.
ELDER, MARY AUSTIN LAING ELDER, peacefully at 8 Four Oaks Road, Sutton Coldfield, West Midlands, in the small hours of January 30th, shortly after her 80th birthday. Her mortal remains have been laid in the Garden of Remembrance and Rest at the Parish Church of St. Mary the Virgin, Twickenham, where she worshipped for many years.
FARMERY, MONICA, aged 53, on February 10th, at home, after a long illness courageously borne, beloved wife of Bill, wonderful and loving mother to Peter and Susan. Funeral service at Pagham Church, Sussex, on Wednesday, 15th February at 3.15 p.m. Flowers to Reynolds of Bognor Regis, or donations, if desired, to The Royal Marsden Cancer Research Fund.
FLETCHER.—On 9th February, 1978, Eric Dutton, of 123 Mythop Road, Lytham, Lancashire. The dearly loved husband of Brenda and a very dear father and grandfather. Funeral service at Lytham Crematorium, on Thursday, 16th February, at 3.30 p.m. Flowers from the family only. Enquiries Messrs. John G. Ashton and Company, tel. 061-723 7816.

DEATHS

FORD.—On February 9, after a long illness, in St. Nicholas Nursing Home, Sheringham, Lt.-Col. Terence Gilbert Browell, M.B.E., son of the late Ven. Archdeacon and Mrs. G. A. Ford, of Lucknow, much loved brother of Biddy Pennefather and the late Patricia Beck. Funeral at St. Peter's Church, Sheringham, at 2.15 p.m., Tuesday, February 14. The 9.30 a.m. London train will be met. Family flowers only.
CALLI.—On 11th February, at Ospedaletti, Tomaso, beloved husband of Pixie (nee Grace Windham), and father of John.
GRAHAM.—On February 9th, suddenly, David Bertram Graham M.C., M.A., of Hall Grove, Bagshot. Darling husband of Rosemary and adored father of Sarah, Alastair, Gilly and Fiona. Funeral for family only. Thanksgiving service at the Church of St. John the Baptist, Windlesham, on Friday, 24th February at 2.30 p.m.
HASLEHUST.—On 11th February, Wilhelmina Christine (Myn), of Midhurst and formerly of Christ's Hospital, widow of Francis Haslehurst, greatly loved by her daughters Jane and Ann, grandchildren Josephine, Jenny, Jeremy and Timothy and all her family. Funeral service at Midhurst Parish Church, on Thursday 16th February, at 2 p.m. Cremation private. Family flowers only, to Linton and Son, Midhurst 3264.
HOLT-WILSON.—On February 10th, 1978, Daniel Shaw Holt-Wilson, Commander, Royal Navy, loving and loved husband of Alison and devoted father and grandfather. Cremation on Wednesday. Family only. No flowers, please, but donations, if desired, to King George's Fund for Sailors, 1 Chesham St., London, S.W.1.
HOOK.—On Feb. 9th, at Bosham, Christopher Hook, pioneer of fully submerged hydrofoils, beloved husband of Nadia. Cremation at Chichester Feb. 15th at 12 noon. No flowers, by request. Donations, if desired, to the British Heart Foundation. Memorial service dates will be announced later.
KEILLOR.—The Rev. Dr. James Ross, on February 10th, 1978, of the Manse, 46 Forest Gate, Blackpool, the dearly loved brother of Amy Mima and Alec and good friend of Leslie. Service at Victoria Congregational Church, Blackpool, on Thursday, at 3 p.m., prior to cremation at Carleton Crematorium, Blackpool. Enquiries: Box Bros. Ltd., Funeral Directors, Blackpool. Tel. 61013.
KING.—On February 10th, 1978, at Little Pond House Nursing Home, Tilford, Surrey, Helena Gertrude, aged 91 years, until recently of Sandlewood, Tilford, Surrey, widow of Joseph King. Funeral service at Aldershot Crematorium, on Thursday, Feb. 16th, at 2.30 p.m. Flowers to H. C. Patrick & Co., 86 East St., Farnham, Surrey, or if preferred, donations to Musicians Benevolent Fund, 16 Ogle St., London W1P 7LG.
LOCKHART SMITH.—On Feb 10th peacefully at the Northwood and Pinner District Hospital, Jill, beloved wife of The Late Ken Lockhart Smith. Mother of Judy and granny of Lucy and Giles. Funeral private. Donations if desired to Cancer Research.
LORD ST. JOHN OF BLETSO.—On February 11th, in Cape Town, suddenly in his sleep, Andrew Beauchamp, 20th Baron St. John of Bletso, beloved husband of Kay, devoted father of Anthony and very dearly loved brother of Elaine Whidbourne, Hannaford Old House, Poundsgate, Newton Abbott, Devon. Memorial service later.
MANNING.—On February 9, 1978, Cyril, at his home in Arborfield. Service at Easthampstead Park Crematorium today, Monday, February 13, at 4 p.m. Flowers and inquiries to A. B. Walker and Son, Ltd., Reading. Tel.: 53650.
McLINTOCK.—Suddenly at 3 Watergate, Swimbridge, Devon, Ian Stanley McLintock, B.A. Oxon. Master at West Buckland School for 35 years and Housemaster for 30 years. Service at the Crematorium, Barnstaple, Devon, 2 p.m., Thursday, 16th February. Family flowers only.
MIDDLETON.—On 9th February, 1978, peacefully in hospital, Charles Wallan, of 2 Kenilworth, Pittville Lawn, Cheltenham, beloved husband of Bunny. Funeral service at Alveston Parish Church, near Bristol, on Tuesday, February 14th, at 1.30 p.m., followed by cremation at Canford.
MORGAN.—On February 10th, 1978, suddenly at her home, 14 Wellington Sq., Hastings, Ivy May, widow of Gwilym Morgan. Cremation at Hastings, Thursday, February 16th, at 2.30 p.m. No flowers please.
MUNRO, JESSIE ELIZABETH MENZIES, of Moat House, Whepstead, Bury St. Edmunds, on 9th February at The Royal Marsden Hospital, much loved mother of Elizabeth Ann, after a long illness most courageously fought. Funeral service at St. Columba's Church, The Church of Scotland, Pont Street, S.W.1, at 3 p.m. on Tuesday, 14th February. Family flowers only. Donations if desired to Imperial Cancer Research, c/o Coutts's Bank, Ludgate House, Fleet St., E.C.4.
PATERSON.—On February 10th, 1978, peacefully, in a nursing home, after a very short illness, Iseult, of 17 Boscombe Overcliff Drive, Bournemouth, beloved wife of Sir Swinton Paterson, and sister of Doris and Yvonne. Funeral service next Friday, February 17th, 3.15 p.m., at Bournemouth ... sent to Deric-Scott, Portman Lodge Funeral Home, Bournemouth.
PHILCOX.—On February 9, peacefully, at her home, Phyllis Margaret, widow of Cecil (Sunny) Philcox, dearly loved mother, Cedric and Tonie and grandmother of Mandy, Christopher and James, Adrian and Jackie. Cremation Beckenham Crematorium, 12 noon, Tuesday, February 14.
PRICE.—On February 11th, 1978, peacefully, in Fleet Hospital, Brig. Thomas Reginald Price, D.S.O., M.C., Royal Tank Regiment (Ret.). Cremation at the Park Crematorium, Aldershot, on Friday, 17th February at 12 noon. Family flowers only, but if desired, donations to Royal Tank Regiment Benevolent Fund, Bovington Camp, Wareham, Dorset.
REID.—On February 9th, peacefully at a Nursing Home in Eastbourne, Mary Stuart Reid, beloved wife of Major Pat Reid and cherished mother of Michael Cunliffe-Lister and Annie Cunliffe-Lister. Funeral service at Eastbourne Crematorium on Wednesday, 15th February, at 3.30 p.m. Flowers to Haine and Son, 19 South St., Eastbourne, Sussex.

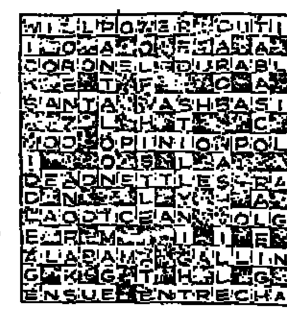
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ACROSS
1 Players a long time getting first aid items (8).
9 More country folk? (8).
10 Suggestions of course for making money (4).
11 MP appears to thwart the judiciary with some hesitation (5-7).
13 Nothing needs changing in Denmark (6).
14 It's a gift, to perform before people (8).
15 Entrant means to join art centre (7).
16 Poison expert carries on with it (7).
20 Take the air hurriedly round the meadows if agreeable (8).
22 Is first murderer's victim a girl? (6).
23 One of the small S combinations for instance (12).
25 Bird seen in covey—a swallow? (4).
26 Archbishop describes Solomon, perhaps (8).
27 Telescopic viewer? Not really (5, 3).

DOWN
2 A crooner fellow in Oxfordshire (8).
3 Unhappy example of delay in desert island programme? (12).
4 A log seen as possible fuel (8).
5 Settle for vehicle that's taken up the team (7).
6 Recent way to join a fighting service (6).
7 Cut fuel by end of March (4).
8 Note unusual way to cause disaffection (8).
12 Shrubs in bed with single flowers (12).
15 Confiscates one over £1,000? (8).
17 Eric and Rita set new standards (8).
18 They held a girl up in Greece (8).
19 Looking smart, has a right to enter (7).
21 Majestic emperor ignoring us (6).
24 British chemist—Jones's predecessor? (4).

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DEATHS

ROWLAND.—On February 9, Brian; love to our dear Bims, Laura, Sue, Cherie, Lindsay.
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STIMSON.—On February 9th at King Edward VII Hospital, Midhurst, Ruth, the dearly loved wife of the late Jack of Hill Cottage, Chiddingfold and devoted mother and grandmother. Funeral service at Guildford Crematorium, Broadwater, near Godalming on Thursday, February 16th at 12 noon.
TWEEDIE.—On February 11, in London, Dorothy Augusta, aged 93, daughter of Major General Michael Tweedie. Flowers (cut flowers only) and inquiries to Kenyon, London W.8. 01-937 0757.
WATERLOW, ADRIAN of Hamsland, Horsted Keynes, peacefully on February 11th, aged 84. Younger son of Sir Ernest Albert Waterlow, R.A., P.R.W.S. Dearly loved uncle and great-uncle.

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